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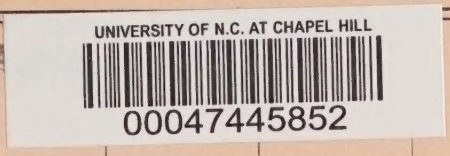

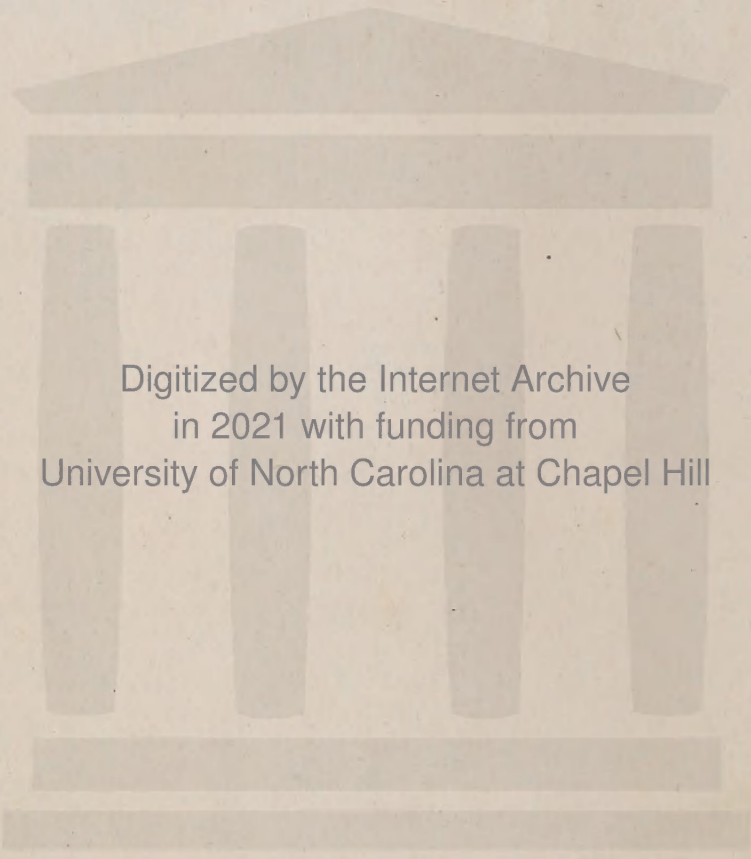
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OF THE

INDEPENDENT ORDER OF ODD FELLOWS,

OF THE

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TOGETHER WITH THE

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TO THE OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE R. W. GRAND LODGE;

And to the Members of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows of the State of North Carolina,

THIS VOLUME IS RESPECTFULLY INSCRIBED, BY

WILLIAM D. COOKE.

CONSTITUTION

By-Laws and Rules of Order,

OF THE RIGHT WORTHY

GRAND LODGE OF THE UNITED STATES,

INDEPENDENT ORDER OF ODD FELLOWS,

With the Amendments adopted in 1849.

CONSTITUTION

OF THE RIGHT WORTHY

GRAND LODGE OF THE UNITED STATES.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, it is of great importance that those institutions should be perpetuated which are of essential benefit to mankind; *and whereas,* Odd Fellowship is based upon the eternal principles of universal Friendship, Philanthropy and Beneficence —*Therefore,* the Grand Lodge of the United States of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, to bind the Order more effectually in a common and indissoluble union: to provide for its best interests and to secure to all time the advantages and blessings which it dispenses, doth ordain and establish this CONSTITUTION.

Date of Adoption.

Done in the City of Baltimore, in the State of Maryland, this fifth day of September, in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty-three.

ARTICLE I.

Style, Title and Jurisdiction.

This Lodge shall be known by the name, style and title of the "Grand Lodge of the United States of the Independent Order of Odd-Fellows," and possesses original and exclusive jurisdiction in Odd-Fellowship, over the territories comprising the Federal Government of the United States. It is

the source of all true and legitimate authority in Odd-Fellowship in the United States of America. All State, District and Territorial Grand Lodges and Encampments assemble under its warrant, and derive their authority from it. With it is placed the power to enact such laws and regulations as shall be for the good of the Order in general. It is the ultimate tribunal to which all matters of general importance to the State, District and Territorial Grand Lodges and Grand Encampments are to be referred, and its decisions thereon shall be final and conclusive. With the consent of the Grand Lodge or Grand Encampment of a State, District, or Territory, it may receive an appeal of a Subordinate Lodge or Encampment, from the decision of a Grand Lodge or Grand Encampment; such consent, however, not being necessary when an expelled Lodge or Encampment, after having delivered up its effects, appeals from the decision of its Grand Lodge or Grand Encampment. To it belongs the power to regulate and control the work of the Order, and the several degrees belonging thereto; and to fix and determine the customs and usages, in regard to all things which concern Odd-Fellowship. It has inherent power to establish Lodges or Encampments in foreign countries where no Grand Lodge and Grand Encampment exists. Such Lodges and Encampments shall work by virtue of a warrant granted by this Grand Lodge.

General powers.

Inherent powers.

ARTICLE II.

Membership.

The members of this Grand Lodge shall be, the Grand Sire, Deputy Grand Sire, Grand Recording Secretary, Grand Corresponding Secretary, Grand Treasurer, Grand Marshal, Grand Guardian, Grand Chaplain, and the Representatives from State, District, and Territorial Grand Lodges and Grand Encampments, acting under legal, unreclaimed warrants granted by this Grand Lodge.

ARTICLE III.

Officers elective.

The elective officers shall be, Most Worthy Grand Sire, Right Worthy Deputy Grand Sire, Grand Recording Secretary, Grand Corresponding Secretary, and Grand Treasurer, all of whom shall be elected biennially, at the stated meetings of this Grand Lodge, in September, except the Grand Corresponding Secretary, who shall be elected during the pleasure of this Grand Lodge. They shall be duly installed, and enter on the duties of their office at the stated meeting next ensuing their election.

When installed.

Officers appointed.

The Right Worthy Grand Marshal, Right Worthy Grand Guardian, and Right Worthy Grand Chaplain, shall be nominated by the Grand Sire, and if approved of by the Grand Lodge, they shall be installed at the stated meeting next ensuing the election of Grand Officers.

When installed.

Consequence of failure to install.

If, however, any of the elective Officers fail to appear to be installed at the time provided, the particular office or offices shall be declared vacant, and the Grand Lodge shall, in that event, proceed to a new election to fill such vacancy or vacancies, and the officer or officers so elected shall be accordingly installed.—

Attendance necessary.

They shall attend each meeting of the Grand Lodge, and perform such other duties as are enjoined by the laws and regulations of the Order, and such as may be required by the presiding officer. No officer (who is not also a Representative) shall be permitted to vote ; except the Grand Sire, in case of equal division

ARTICLE IV.

Of Grand Sire; duties.

The Grand Sire shall preside at all meetings of the Grand Lodge, preserve order, and enforce the laws thereof. He shall have the casting vote whenever the Lodge shall be equally divided ; but shall not vote on any other occasion. During the

recess of this Grand Lodge he shall have a general superintendence over the interests of the Order and make report to the next stated meeting of his acts and doings in relation thereto. He shall not hold any office in any State, District or Territorial Grand Lodge or Grand Encampment, while acting as Grand Sire.

Not to hold elective office in other branches of the Order.

ARTICLE V.

Of Deputy G. Sire; duties.

Of G. Sire, *pro tem.*

The Deputy Grand Sire shall open and close the meetings of the Grand Lodge, support the Grand Sire by his advice and assistance, and preside in his absence. In the absence of the Grand Sire and Deputy Grand Sire, the Grand Lodge shall elect a Grand Sire *pro tempore.*

ARTICLE VI.

Of Grand Recording Secretary; duties.

His compensation.

SECTION 1. The Grand Recording Secretary shall make a just and true record of all the proceedings of the Grand Lodge, in a book provided for that purpose; summon the members to attend at stated and special meetings; keep accounts between the Grand Lodge and the Grand and Subordinate Lodges and Encampments under its jurisdiction; read all petitions, reports, and communications, and perform such other duties as the Grand Lodge may from time to time require. He shall receive for his services such sum of money as the Grand Lodge shall from time to time determine.

Of Grand Corresponding Secretary; duties.

SEC. 2. The Grand Corresponding Secretary shall write all letters and communications, carry on under the direction of the Grand Lodge or Grand Sire, its correspondence, and transact such business of this Grand Lodge, appertaining to his office, as may be required of him by the Grand Lodge, All communications transmitted or received by him, shall be laid before the Grand Lodge.

ARTICLE VII.

Of G. Treasurer; duties.

The Grand Treasurer shall keep the moneys of the Grand Lodge, and pay all orders drawn on him by the Grand Sire, attested by the Grand Secretary, under the seal of the Grand Lodge.—He shall lay before the Grand Lodge, at its stated meeting in September, a full and correct statement of his accounts.

ARTICLE VIII.

Of Past Grand Sires, their privileges.

Past Grand Sires shall be admitted to seats in this Grand Lodge, and be entitled to vote on all questions coming before the Grand Lodge, provided they be not Representatives.

ARTICLE IX.

Of Grand Guardian; duties.

The Grand Guardian shall prove every brother before he admits him, and allow no one to depart without the password.

ARTICLE X.

Of Representatives; qualications.

Representatives from Grand Lodges and Grand Encampments must be Past Grands in good standing, who have received the R. P. Degree. They must be elected or appointed by the Grand Lodge or Grand Encampment they represent, for the term of two years from the commencement of the annual session of the Grand Lodge of the United States, preceding which they shall have been so elected or appointed, and must be furnished with a certificate, as follows:

F. L. and T.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States of the I. O. of O. F.

Form of certificate.

This certifies that P. G. ————, has been duly elected (or appointed) Representative from the

Grand Lodge, (or Grand Encampment) of ———, to the Grand Lodge of the United States.

Witness our hands and Seal of the Grand ——, this ——— day of ———

SEAL

——, G. Master (or G. Patriarch.)
——, G. Secretary, (or G. Scribe.)

No brother shall represent a Grand Lodge or Grand Encampment in this Grand Lodge, unless he resides in the State, District or Territory where the Grand Lodge or Grand Encampment of which he offers himself as a Representative is located.—No Representative shall represent more than one Grand Body at the same time.

Manner of voting.

The Representatives shall be entitled to vote on all questions before the Grand Lodge, in the manner following, to wit: Each Grand Lodge or Grand Encampment having less than one thousand members, one vote; and each Grand Lodge or Grand Encampment having more than one thousand members, one additional vote; the annual returns of the several Grand Lodges and Grand Encampments to determine the number of votes which each Grand Lodge or Grand Encampment is entitled to.

Restrictions on Grand Officers and Grand Representatives.

ARTICLE XI.

Of Annual Sessions. When held. Of Special Sessions.

The Grand Lodge of the United States shall meet annually on the third Monday in September. It may meet on its own adjournments; and *specially*, on the call of the Grand Sire. When the purpose of meeting is the granting of a charter, the Grand Sire may convene the Grand Lodge, first causing two weeks notice to be given to the Representatives of the different Grand Lodges and Grand Encampments, and communicating to them the special purpose thereof. In other special cases, the Grand Sire shall cause two months notice to be given to the different, State, District and Territorial Grand Lodges and Grand Encampments, commu-

Mode of convoking.

nicating to them the purpose for which the special meeting is called. In no case shall any business be transacted at a special meeting, unless notice thereof has been given as above stated. The hour of meeting shall be nine o'clock, A. M., and at such place as the Grand Lodge shall from time to time determine.

Hour and place of meeting.

ARTICLE XII.

The revenue of the Grand Lodge shall be as follows:

Of revenue. From charters.

1st. Fees for Grand Lodge or Grand Encampment charter, $30

2d. Fees for charter for Subordinate Lodges or Encampments, working under its immediate jurisdiction, $30.

3rd. Dues from Subordinate Lodges or Encampments, holding warrants from this Lodge, 10 per cent. on their receipts.

From Lodges and Encampments.

4th. Dues from State, District or Territorial Grand Lodges and Grand Encampments, $20 per annum, for each vote they shall be entitled to in this Lodge.

From Grand Lodges and Encampments.

ARTICLE XIII.

In case of death, resignation, disqualification, or refusal of the Grand Sire to serve, the duties of the office shall be performed by the R. W. D. G. Sire until the next stated meeting of the Grand Lodge, when an election shall be had for Grand Sire. In case of the death, resignation, disqualification, or refusal to serve of any elective or appointed officer, the Grand Sire shall appoint some qualified brother to perform the duties until the next stated meeting, when an election or appointment, as the case may require, shall take place.

Of vacancies.

How filled.

ARTICLE XIV.

Of nominations, qualification and election of Grand Sire and Deputy Grand Sire.

Each Grand Lodge, and each Grand Encampment working under an unreclaimed warrant granted by the Grand Lodge of the United States, may by its Representative, nominate a candidate for the office of Grand Sire and a candidate for the office of Deputy Grand Sire. The candidate thus nominated must be a Past Grand Master, who shall have received the R. P. Degree, and be a contributing member of a Subordinate Lodge. A majority of all the votes given shall be necessary to elect a Grand Sire or Deputy Grand Sire.

ARTICLE XV.

Of quorum and decisions.

A majority of the Representatives of the several Grand Lodges and Grand Encampments shall be necessary to form a quorum for the transaction of business. All questions, except as hereafter provided, shall be decided by a majority of the votes given.

ARTICLE XVI.

Of By-Laws.

With the consent and approval, from time to time expressed, of this Grand Lodge, the Most Worthy Grand Sire may accredit any officer or member of this Grand Lodge as a special Grand Representatives, near the Grand Lodge of any sovereign jurisdiction in Odd-Fellowship, recognized by this Grand Lodge; and in such case the necessary expenses of such special Grand Representative's visit may be appropriated for from the funds of this Grand Lodge. And any officer or member of any such foreign Grand Lodge, who may be duly accredited from the same as a special Grand Representative near this Grand Lodge, shall be admitted to a seat or the floor of this Grand Lodge, and shall have a deliberative voice, but not a vote in the proceedings of this G. L.

ARTICLE XVII.

By-Laws, in conformity with this Constitution, may be made, which shall not be altered or amended, unless such amendment be made at a stated meeting, and be assented to by two-thirds of the votes given. Of By-Laws.

ARTICLE XVIII.

Any alteration or amendment of this Constitution must be offered to this Grand Lodge, in writing, at a stated meeting thereof, and if seconded, it shall be entered on the minutes: at the next stated meeting the amendments may be considered, and if agreed to by two-thirds of the votes given, shall become a part of the Constitution. Of amendments.

BY-LAWS.

ARTICLE I.

Subordinate Lodges, how established.

Upon the petition of five brothers of the Order, in good standing, praying for a charter to open a Subordinate Lodge in a State, District, or Territory, where a Grand Lodge has not been established, this Lodge may grant the same. All Subordinate Lodges receiving warrants from the Grand Lodge of the United States, shall be opened by a Past Grand of the Order, regularly deputized therefor by the Grand Sire, who shall deliver to such Lodge the warrant and charge books, and shall at the opening thereof give all necessary ins truction. Such Lodge shall be visited, at least once a year, by the Grand Sire, or some Past Grand deputized by him for that purpose, or by a District Deputy Grand Sire.

ARTICLE II.

Subordinate Encampments, how established.

Upon the petition of seven qualified members of the Order, in good standing, praying for a warrant to open an Encampment in a State, District, or Territory, where a Grand Encampment has not been established, this Lodge may grant the same. All Encampments receiving warrants from this Grand Lodge shall be opened by the Grand Sire, or by a qualified Patriarch, who shall deliver to such Encampment the warrant and charge books, and such instructions as may be necessary. Such Encampment shall be visited, at least once a year, by the Grand Sire, District Deputy Grand Sire, or by some Patriarch deputized by him for that purpose.

ARTICLE III.

Of Reports from Subordinates.

Subordinate Lodges and Encampments, working immediately under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, shall transmit to the Grand Recording Secretary quarterly reports, containing the same information as is required from Grand Lodges and Encampments by Article XI of these laws. The reports shall be accompanied by the dues in current money.

ARTICLE IV.

Grand Lodges and Grand Encampments, how established.

Three or more Subordinate Lodges or Encampments, located in any State, District or Territory, where a Grand Lodge or Grand Encampment has not been established, having seven Past Grands or Past C. Patriarchs, in good standing, may petition the Grand Lodge of the United States, in writing, praying for the Charter of a Grand Lodge or Grand Encampment, in such State, District or Territory, which if approved of by a majority of the votes given, shall be granted; and such Grand Lodge or Grand Encampment shall be opened by the Grand Sire, or some qualified brother or Patriarch, whom he shall deputize for that purpose.

ARTICLE V.

Manner of making Application.

All applications for Charters for Grand Lodges or Grand Encampments, must be by a vote of a majority of the Lodges or Encampments within the State, District, or Territory, as follows: When three or more Lodges or Encampments shall agree in the opinion that a Grand Lodge or Grand Encampment will contribute to the general interest, notice thereof shall be given to all the Lodges or Encampments in the State, District or Territory, inviting them to meet in consultation, at some convenient time and place. Each Lodge or Encampment shall appoint one or more of its Past Grands or Past

Chief Patriarchs, or Past High Priests, as Representatives, to meet in Convention and consider the propriety of applying for a Grand Charter, as well as to determine upon the place for the erection of the Grand Lodge or Encampment, (both of which questions shall be decided by a majority vote, which majority vote must represent at least three Lodges or Encampments.) Should any Lodge or Encampment neglect or refuse to send a Representative, or should the Representative, from accident or other cause, fail to attend, it shall not operate to defeat the proceedings of such as may assemble, provided a sufficient number be present to comply with the preceding requirements. Each Subordinate Lodge or Encampment shall furnish to its Representative a statement, under the seal of the Lodge or Encampment, of the number of Past Grands or Past Chief Patriarchs, in good standing, belonging to it. At the meeting of these Representatives the votes shall be by Lodges or Encampments, and the application shall be in the following form, to-wit:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States of the I. O of O. F.

Form of Petition.

The petition of ——— Lodge, (or Encampment,) No. 1, ——— No. 2, ——— No. 3, of ——— respectfully represent, that at present they work under warrants granted by your R. W. body; that at present they have —— Past Grands, (or Past C. Patriarchs,) in good standing. They are of opinion that it would be of advantage to the Order, to establish a Grand Lodge, (or Grand Encampment) in the ——. They therefore pray your R. W. body to grant a Charter for a Grand Lodge (or Grand Encampment) in the ——— to be located at ———.

Witness our hands and seals this —— day of ———, A. D. 18—.

A. B. *Representative of No.* 1.
C. D. *Representative of No.* 2.
E. F. *Representative of No.* 3.

ARTICLE VI.

Expenses of opening, how borne.

All travelling and other expenses of the Grand Sire, Past Grand or Patriarch, deputized by him to open a Grand or Subordinate Lodge or Encampment, shall be paid by such Lodge or Encampment.

ARTICLE VII.

Fee required to accompany petition for all Charters.

Applications for Grand or Subordinate Lodges or Encampments must be accompanied by the fee for the same, which shall be returned if the charter is not granted.

ARTICLE VIII.

Extent of Jurisdictions.

No more than one Grand Lodge or Grand Encampment shall be chartered in any State, District or Territory.

ARTICLE IX.

Impression of seals required to be deposited in the G. Lodge.

Each Grand Lodge and Grand Encampment shall have a Seal, an impression whereof in wax shall be sent to the Grand Secretary, and be deposited in the archives of the Grand Lodge of the United States.

ARTICLE X.

Constitutions of all bodies directly subordinate required to be submitted.

The Constitution of each Grand and Subordinate Lodge or Encampment, chartered by this Grand Lodge, immediately on its adoption, shall be forwarded to this Grand Lodge for its approval.

ARTICLE XI.

Of returns of Grand Lodges, and Grand Encampments. Information required to be reported.

Annual returns shall be made by each State, District or Territorial Grand Lodge or Grand Encampment, in which they shall give full information of the number of members in good standing, names of Grand Officers, Past Grand Officers, number of initiations, rejections, suspensions and cause, expulsions and cause, admissions by card, withdrawals by card, deaths, amount expended for relief of brothers, amount expended for education of orphans, and whole amount of receipts; forms for which shall be furnished by this Grand Lodge. Said returns shall be made to the Grand Recording Secretary, at least one month previous to the Annual Meeting of this body, and shall be accompanied with the dues thereon, in money current at par in the place where the meeting of this Body is held.

ARTICLE XII.

Arrearage, a disqualification to vote.

No Grand Lodge or Grand Encampment which shall be in arrears more than one year for dues to this Grand Lodge, shall be allowed to vote by its Representative or Representatives.

ARTICLE XIII.

Dispensations, how granted in the recess.

During the recess of the Grand Lodge of the United States, the Grand Sire, Deputy Grand Sire, and Grand Recording Secretary shall be authorized to grant dispensations to open Grand Lodges or Encampments, or Subordinate Lodges or Encampments: which shall be submitted to this Grand Lodge for approval and confirmation at its next annual meeting.

ARTICLE XIV.

Yearly P. W. how transmitted and to whom entrusted.

The Grand Sire shall, through the Grand Representatives, at each session of the Grand Lodge, forward immediately, a travelling password to the Grand Master of each Grand Lodge, the Grand Patriarch of each Grand Encampment, and to the N. G.'s of Subordinate Lodges, and the C. P.'s of Encampments working under this jurisdiction; and the Grand Master and Grand Patriarch shall communicate the same to the N. G.'s of the several Lodges, and the C. P.'s of Encampments in the State, District or Territory. The said T. P. W. to go into operation on the first day of January in each and every year.

ARTICLE XV.

Membership to be retained in no more than one body of a class.

No person shall hold membership, in more than one Grand or Subordinate Lodge or Encampment at the same time; nor shall any Lodge or Encampment confer degrees upon any member of another Lodge or Encampment without the consent of the Lodge or Encampment to which the member belongs, given under its seal.

ARTICLE XVI.

Transfer of jurisdiction takes place on the establishment of Grand Lodges, Grand Encampments, etc.

When a Grand Lodge or Grand Encampment shall have been duly chartered in any State, District or Territory, all the Lodges and Encampments in said State, District or Territory working under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of the United States, shall thereafter be declared subordinate to, and under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge or Encampment of the State, District or Territory in which they are located; and no Lodge or Encampment situated in one State, District, or Territory can be made subordinate to the Grand Lodge or Encampment of another State, District or Territory.

ARTICLE XVII.

Of admission of visitors or depositors.

No brother can be admitted to visit, or deposit his card in a Lodge or Encampment out of the State, District, or Territory where he resides, unless he present a card or certificate under the signature of the officers and seal of the Lodge of which he is a member, and signed in the margin, in his own proper hand writing, and prove himself in the T. P. W., and in the Degree in which the Lodge is open: *Provided, nevertheless*, a brother may always visit if introduced by a Grand Representative, or other elective officer of the Grand Lodge or Grand Encampment under whose jurisdiction he wishes to visit.

ARTICLE XVIII.

Of District Deputy Grand Sires and their duties.

At each Annual Session the Grand Sire shall appoint in each State, District and Territory, (in which there are not a Grand Lodge and a Grand Encampment,) an officer to be styled "District Deputy Grand Sire," whose duty it shall be to act as the special agent of this Grand Lodge, in relation to the matters herein specified, viz:

1. To act for the Grand Sire, and by his direction to perform whatever may have been ordered to be done by the G. L. of U. S. in the particular District for which the D. D. G. Sire may be appointed.

2. To act as the Representative of this Grand Lodge, and perform all such matters relating to the Order in his District as the Grand Sire shall direct.

3. To obey all special instructions of the Grand Sire in relation to any thing which that officer is required to do for the good of the Order.

4. To act as the agent of the Grand Secretary, and obey the special directions of that officer.

5. To have a general supervision over all Subordinate Lodges and Encampments (in his District) which work under charters granted by the Grand Lodge of the United States.

6. To make Semi-annual reports of his acts and doings to the Grand Sire,

7. D. D. Grand Sires shall in no case interfere, as officers of this Grand Lodge, with the State Grand Lodges or Encampments.

8. To qualify a brother for the appointment of D. D. G Sire, he must be a regular contributing member of a Subordinate Lodge and Encampment, and must have attained a rank of P. G. and R. P. D.; and in States where Grand Encampments may be established, he must also be a member of such Grand Encampment. The appointment of D. G. Grand Sires shall be made at each Annual Session, to continue for one year, but they may be revoked for cause during the recess by the Grand Sire.

ARTICLE XIX.

Representatives how examined.

The Representative of each Grand Lodge and Grand Encampment shall be examined by the D. G. Sire as to his qualifications for the office, previous to taking his seat in the Grand Lodge of the United States. On taking his seat he shall be furnished by the Grand Recording Secretary, with a copy of the Constitution, Rules of Order, and Laws of this Grand Lodge. His expenses shall be paid by his Grand Lodge or Encampment, and should he neglect or refuse to attend the meetings of this Lodge when duly notified, he shall be fined five dollars, unless excused by a vote of the Lodge.

ARTICLE XX.

Furnishing documents and papers.

Each State, District or Territorial Grand Lodge or Grand Encampment shall furnish its Representative with all documents and papers necessary in the discharge of the duties of his office.

ARTICLE XXI.

Printed proceedings, how distributed

Each State, District and Territorial Grand Lodge, shall annually be furnished with as many copies of the printed proceedings of this Grand Lodge as it has Subordinate Lodges working under its jurisdiction, for its own use; and an equal number to be distributed amongst its subordinates. Each Grand Encampment shall be furnished in the same manner, And each Encampment and Lodge working under the warrant of this Grand Lodge shall be furnished with a copy of the proceedings. The Grand Recording Secretary shall see that this law is carried into effect, at as early a date as possible after the close of the annual sessions of this Grand Lodge.

ARTICLE XXII.

To whom moneys are to be paid.

All dues and moneys for this Grand Lodge shall be paid to the Grand Recording Secretary, and by him be immediately paid over to the Grand Treasurer, who shall give his receipt for the same.

ARTICLE XXIII.

Uniformity to be strictly observed.

All State, District and Territorial Grand Lodges and Grand Encampments shall enforce upon their subordinates a strict adherence to the work of the Order, according to the forms furnished by the Grand Lodge of the United States, and shall be held responsible for any irregularities that they may allow under their jurisdiction. They shall neither adopt or use, nor suffer to be adopted or used in their jurisdiction, any other charges, lectures, degrees, ceremonies, forms of installation, or regalia, than those prescribed by the Grand Lodge of the United States.

ARTICLE XXIV.

Of Prayer.

All Grand and Subordinate Lodges and Encampments under this jurisdiction, may at all times open and close their meetings with prayer.

ARTICLE XXV.

Of Regalia for Subordinate Lodges.

The regalia of the Order shall be as follows, to wit:—Aprons and collars of Subordinate Lodges shall be white, trimmed with the emblematic color of the degree intended to be represented, *i. e.*, first degree, white; second degree, pink; third degree, blue; fourth degree, green; fifth degree, scarlet; rosettes of the appropriate colors can be worn on the collars. The Noble Grand shall wear a scarlet collar; Vice Grand, blue collar; Secretary, green collar; Treasurer, green collar; each of which trimmed with white or silver. Supporters of N. G., scarlet sashes; of the V. G., blue sashes; Warden and Conductor, black sashes; Scene Supporters, white sashes; Chaplain, white sash. The aprons of the elective and appointed officers shall be white, trimmed with the color of the collar or sash indicated for the office.

Past Grands shall wear scarlet collars or sashes, and aprons either white, trimmed with scarlet, or scarlet, trimmed with white. The aprons and collars or sashes of Past Grands may be trimmed with silver lace or fringe, and those having attained to the R. P. Degree, may have trimmings of yellow metal. The Grand Officers and Past Grands of Grand Lodges shall wear the regalia of Past Grands, as above defined.

The Encampment regalia shall be black aprons and gloves, and of those Patriarchs who have attained to the R. P. Degree, purple collars, and the aprons and collars trimmed with yellow lace or fringe.

Regalia for Grand Representatives shall be a collar of purple velvet, not more than four inches in width, with a roll of scarlet velvet. The trimmings to be of yellow metal; the

collar to be united in front with three links, to which may be suspended such medal or medals as the member may be entitled to wear.

P. G. Representatives and the Officers and Past Officers of the G. L. of U. S. to wear the regalia above described.

The jewel of the Grand Sire, and P. G. Sire, shall be a medal three inches in diameter of yellow metal, on one side of which shall be the coat of arms of the United States surrounded by an ornament edging of silver.

Representatives and Past Representatives, shall be entitled to wear medals of the size and style above, with the coat of arms of the State represented.

ARTICLE XXVI.

Of drafts on the Grand Treasurer for payments of moneys.

All expenses of this Grand Lodge shall be paid by an order drawn on the R. W. Grand Treasurer, signed by the Grand Sire and attested by the Grand Secretary, the same being authorized by a vote of the Grand Lodge.

ARTICLE XXVII.

Of Installation.

The installation of officers in Subordinate Lodges shall be conducted only in manner and form as provided by the Installation Book.

ARTICLE XXVIII.

The manner of opening the Grand Lodge.

At the appointed hour, the Grand Sire shall take the chair and organize the meeting by directing the Grand Recording Secretary to call the names of the officers of this Grand Lodge. After which the Secretary shall make report of the number of Representatives present. When, if a quorum be present, the Grand Sire shall call on the Grand Chaplain to address the Supreme Ruler of the Universe in prayer. The Deputy Grand Sire shall then examine the Representatives

present, and report to the Grand Sire, and if correct, the Grand Sire shall direct the members to clothe themselves with their regalia and take their seats ; after which the Deputy Grand Sire, at the request of the Grand Sire, shall proclaim the Lodge duly opened. The business of the session shall then be taken up as provided in the Rules of Order ; and when the business is concluded, the Grand Chaplain shall offer a prayer, and the Deputy Grand Sire shall proclaim the Grand Lodge duly closed.

ARTICLE XXIX.

Grand Lodges. Grand Lodge degree, not to be conferred except for service.

State Grand Lodges are prohibited from conferring the Grand Lodge Degree for a pecuniary consideration, with a view to increasing their revenue, or for any other consideration except the regular performance of the duties of the Noble Grand's Chair—the said degree having been designed as a reward for faithful service in the Subordinate Lodges.

ARTICLE XXX.

Prohibition from initiating persons from distant States.

State Grand Lodges or Grand Encampments shall provide laws to protect their brethren in adjoining or distant States, by prohibiting the subordinates under their jurisdiction from initiating persons at places remote from their permanent residence, while Lodges and Encampments are known to be located in the immediate neighborhood.

ARTICLE XXXI.

Members entitled to wear regalia according to rank.

Past Officers of every description, and members in possession of the Encampment degrees, and all other members of the Order, when visiting Grand or Subordinate Lodges, are entitled to wear the regalia and jewels pertaining to the high-

est degrees which they may have taken, if they think proper to appear in such regalia.

ARTICLE XXXII.

Design of the Pass Word.

The T. P. W. is designed only for the use of brethren who are travelling beyond the limits of the jurisdiction, to which they belong; and in order that each brother may be properly instructed in it, and visiting brethren from other jurisdictions properly examined, the two highest elective officers of a Lodge, and the C. P. and S. W. of an Encampment, are to be privately put in possession of the word, at the time of their installation, that they may be qualified either to give or receive it. The Grand Master and Grand Patriarch of a State and their regular Deputies should of course also be in possession of it.

ARTICLE XXXIII.

Of the fiscal year.

The fiscal year of this Grand Lodge commences on the first day of July and terminates on the thirtieth of June.

ARTICLE XXXIV.

Forfeiture of Charter.

The charters of all Subordinate Lodges and Encampments, working under the immediate jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, which fail to make their returns for one year, shall be forfeited, and whenever such remissness occurs, the Grand Sire, shall take proper measures to enforce the law.

ARTICLE XXXV.

Of Amendments.

Any alterations or amendments of these By-Laws must be proposed in writing, at a regular annual communication, and

may be considered and acted upon at the same session, but not on the day on which they are offered.

ARTICLE XXXVI.

Repealing clause.

All former laws and regulations inconsistent with the provisions of these general laws are hereby repealed.

AMENDMENT

TO THE

CONSTITUTION OF THE R. W. G. L. U. S.

MADE AT THE SESSION OF GRAND LODGE IN 1849.

ARTICLE XII.

SEC. 5. "The expenses of Representives and Officers, (excepting those to whom stated salaries are given,) attending the sessions of the Grand Lodge of the United States, shall be paid by the Grand Lodge."

AMENDMENT

TO THE

BY-LAWS OF THE R. W. G. L. U. S.

MADE AT THE SESSION OF THE GRAND LODGE IN 1849.

ARTICLE VIII.

Amended by adding "except in the State of New York, which may have two Grand Lodges and two Grand Encampments. And laws and parts of laws, inconsistent with the foregoing resolutions, are hereby repealed."

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The presiding officer having taken the chair, the officers and members shall take their respective seats, and at the sound of the gavil there shall be general silence.

2. The business shall be taken up in the following order :— The Grand Lodge shall be opened in due form.

3. The Grand Recording Secretary shall report on certificates of Representatives, which shall be referred to a committee.

4. The minutes of the last annual and intervening meetings shall be read and passed upon.

5. The Grand Sire shall then appoint the following committees, each to consist of three members, viz : Committee on the State of the Order ; Committee on Petitions ; Committee on Finance ; Committee on Returns and Reports of Grand Lodges and Grand Encampments, and Subordinate Lodges and Encampments ; Committee of Correspondence, and Committee on Appeals.

6. The Grand Sire shall also appoint a committee consisting of three members, whose duty it shall be to take in charge, and prepare for the action of the Grand Lodge, all business appertaining to State Grand Lodges or Grand Encampments, which shall not be represented by the personal attendance of delegates.

7. The report of the Grand Sire as to his acts and doings during the recess of this Grand Lodge shall be presented.

8. Annual reports of the Grand Corresponding Secretary and Grand Treasurer shall be presented.

9. Petitions shall be presented, read and referred.

10. Other communications shall be presented and read.

11. The above order of business may be dispensed with at the discretion of the Lodge.

12. Election and installation of officers for the ensuing term shall take place on the second day of the session.

13. During the sitting of the Grand Lodge, each Representative or visitor, on entering or leaving the Lodge, shall address the presiding officer with the sign of the R. P. Degree.

14. No motion shall be subject to debate until it shall have been seconded, and stated by the Chair—it shall be reduced to writing at the request of any member.

15. When a question is before the Lodge, no motion shall be received unless it be to adjourn, to refer, the previous question, to lay on the table, to postpone indefinitely, to postpone to a certain time, or to amend ; and the motions just enumerated shall take precedence in the order of enumeration. The first four shall be decided without debate.

16. On a call of Representatives of three States, Districts or Territories, a majority of the Lodge may demand that the previous question shall be put, which shall always be in this form : "*Shall the main question be now put?*" and until it be decided, it shall preclude all amendments and all further debate.

17. When the reading of any paper or other matter is called for and the same is objected to by any member, it shall be determined by vote of the Lodge, without debate.

18. Before putting the question, the presiding officer shall ask, "Is the Lodge ready for the question ?" If no member rise to speak, he shall rise and put it. While the presiding officer is putting a question, or addressing the Lodge, none shall walk out of, or across the room, or entertain private discourse ; and after he shall have risen to put it, no member shall speak upon it.

19. The presiding officer, or any member doubting the decision of a question, may call for a division of the Lodge.

20. No member shall be permitted to speak or vote, unless clothed in regalia, according to his rank and station, and occupying his seat at the place designated for him.

21. In the election of officers, the Grand Sire shall put the

question of the nomination of Grand Sire, and the election shall proceed before the nomination of Deputy Grand Sire, and so with the other officers. During the progress of a ballot for an officer, no motion can be entertained, or debate or explanation permitted.

22. Every officer and member shall be designated by his proper title or office, according to his standing in the Order.

23. Every member, when he speaks or offers a motion shall rise and respectfully address the presiding officer; and while speaking he shall confine himself to the question in debate, avoiding all personalities and indecorous language, as well as all reflections upon the Lodge, or any of its members.

24. Should two members rise to speak at the same time, the chair shall decide which is entitled to the floor. And no member shall interrupt or disturb another while speaking, unless to call him to order for words spoken.

25. If a member while speaking, shall be called to order, he shall, at the request of the Chair, take his seat until the question of order is determined, when if permitted he may proceed again.

26. The decisions of the Chair on points of order, may be appealed from by any member, and in such cases the question shall be, "Shall the decision of the Chair stand as the judgement of the Lodge?"

27. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question, until all the members wishing to speak have had an opportunity to do so.

28. When any petition, memorial or communication is presented, a brief statement of its contents shall be made by the introducer or the Chair. And after it has been read, a brief notice of its purports shall be entered upon the journal.

29. When a blank is to be filled, the question shall be taken first upon the highest sum or number, and the longest or latest time proposed.

30. Any member may call for a division of a question when the sense will admit.

31. When one-fifth of the members rise in favor of taking

a question by Yeas and Nays, they shall be ordered and recorded.

32. The vote by States may be called on any question, if required by two States.

33. All committees shall be appointed by the Chair, unless otherwise ordered.

34. Any member who voted with the majority may call for a re-consideration of a vote, at the same session in which it was passed, and if sustained by a majority of all the votes, the re-consideration shall be carried.

35. No matter shall be considered at each morning session of the Grand Lodge until all reports of committees are gone through with, and the Grand Sire shall call for the reports of committees in the order of their appointment.

36. A committee appointed at one session to perform a duty, are bound to report, although some of the members of the committee have ceased to be members of this body.

37. The previous question cuts off all amendments.

38. Any member has a right to protest, and to have his protest spread upon the journal.

39. A representative whose seat is disputed, may nevertheless offer a resolution.

40. The Grand Sire is entitled to the casting vote at an election of officers.

41. The previous question may be called, though no amendment be pending at the time.

42. Every member is bound to vote, serve on committees, and accept nominations unless excused by vote.

CONSTITUTION

AND

GENERAL LAWS,

OF THE

Right Worthy Grand Lodge

OF THE

INDEPENDENT ORDER OF ODD FELLOWS,

OF THE

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Revised and Corrected May 11th, 1849.

CONSTITUTION

OF THE

RIGHT WORTHY GRAND LODGE OF NORTH CAROLINA I. O. O. F.

Adopted May 11, 1849.

ARTICLE I.

Of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina.

SEC. 1. The Right Worthy Grand Lodge shall consist of
M. W. Grand Master,
R. W. Deputy Grand Master,
R. W. Grand Secretary,
R. W. Grand Treasurer,
R. W. Grand Warden,
R. W. Grand Chaplain,
W. Grand Guardian,
W. Grand Conductor,
M. W. P. Grand Masters and
Past Grands of every Lodge in the State of North Carolina.

SEC. 2. No Past Grand or M. W. P. G. Master shall be entitled to a seat in the Grand Lodge unless he be at the same time a contributing member of some Subordinate Lodge; nor to vote, unless said Lodge shall have made its quarterly reports and transmitted the per centum due the Grand Lodge.

SEC. 3. Every member of the Grand Lodge shall receive the Grand Lodge degree before he takes his seat; and the Grand Lodge shall always be opened in that degree for the introduction of Past Grands, and for the transaction of business.

ARTICLE II.

Jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge.

SEC. 1. The Grand Lodge is the supreme tribunal in the State of North Carolina, of the I. O. O. F., and no Lodge can exist without its sanction. It possesses the right of granting charters—of suspending or taking away the same upon proper cause—to receive and hear all appeals—redress grievances and complaints arising in the several Lodges—to originate and regulate means for its support—to grant dispensations to initiate persons over age—and to do all such other acts as are promotive of the interests of the Order, or that appertain thereto by ancient custom or usage.

SEC. 2. It cannot be opened unless there be a representation of Past Grands from two Lodges.

SEC. 3. In the absence of the Grand Master, the Deputy Grand Master shall preside—and in the absence of the Deputy Grand Master, the Grand Warden—and in his absence, any Past Grand who may be called to the Chair by the voice of the Lodge.

SEC. 4. The record of the proceedings of the last meeting of the Grand Lodge shall be read after the opening of the Grand Lodge.

SEC. 5. The Grand Lodge shall hold its communications annually, on the second Wednesday in May, at which time the Subordinate Lodges are required to send in their semiannual reports of the number of makings, rejections, suspensions, and expulsions, together with their dues. It may also meet at its own adjournment, from time to time, and shall be assembled by the Grand Master at any time upon the application of seven Past Grands, on general business of the Order, or private business of particular Lodges.

SEC. 6. All applications for charters to open new Lodges shall be addressed to the Grand Secretary, who shall immediately inform the Grand Master of applications, if he be within the State, and await his decision thereon; but in case of his absence as above, the Deputy Grand Master may, at his discretion, grant a dispensation, subject to the approbation or disapprobation of the Grand Lodge at its next meeting.

ARTICLE III.

Powers of the Most Worthy Grand Master.

Sec. 1. He shall preside at all the meetings of the Grand Lodge, preserve order therein, decide on all questions of order, and may enforce it by fine; an appeal, however, may always be had to the Lodge.

Sec. 2. He shall be received, when visiting any subordinate Lodge, with the honors attached to his office, provided he appears in full regalia.

Sec. 3. He shall appoint any Grand officer pro tem. in the absence of the regular elected Grand officer.

Sec. 4. He shall appoint the Grand Conductor and Grand Guardian, and in the event of his resignation, death or removal, the Deputy Grand Master, shall ex-officio, become Grand Master until the next regular meeting of the Grand Lodge.

ARTICLE IV.

Powers of the Deputy Grand Master.

The powers of the Deputy Grand Master shall be the same as that of the Grand Master during his absence.

ARTICLE V.

Duties of the Grand Secretary.

Sec. 1. The Grand Secretary shall attend in person at every sitting of the Grand Lodge, with all the books and papers of his office, under the penalty of five dollars, at the discretion of the Lodge; and in case of his absence, he shall transmit the books and papers, under a penalty of twenty dollars.

Sec. 2. He shall transmit annually, immediately after the closing of the Grand Lodge, a true printed register of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge; to each of the subordinate Lodges in the State, and also to the several Grand Lodges in the United States.

Sec. 3. He shall notify all the subordinate Lodges of all the stated meetings of the Grand Lodge within one month previous to said meetings.

SEC. 4. He shall prepare all charters granted by the Grand Lodge, or dispensations granted by the Grand Master, and affix the seal of the Grand Lodge thereto; he shall notify each subordinate Lodge of all special meetings, provide all stationary for the use of the Grand Lodge, and superintend such printing as the Grand Lodge shall direct; he shall have power to appoint a deputy, and shall receive, as a compensation, such sum as the Grand Lodge may from time to time direct and deem necessary.

ARTICLE VI.

Of the Grand Treasurer.

SEC. 1. He shall keep his books in a fair and legible manner exhibiting an account of all moneys received and paid away by him for the use, and by order of the Grand Lodge, from whom received, to whom paid, and by what authority,

SEC, 2. He shall have his accounts posted at every regular meeting of the Grand Lodge, and submit them at each communication.

ARTICLE VII.

Of the Grand Warden.

The Grand Warden shall preside in the absence of the Grand Master and Deputy Grand Master; he shall assist the Grand Master in the ceremonies of the Order, and in the preservation of decorum in the Lodge; he shall, ex-officio, or by deputy, confer degrees upon all past officers qualified to receive the same.

ARTICLE VIII.

Of the Grand Conductor.

The Grand Conductor is an assistant of the Grand Master in the ceremonies of the Order, and preservation of decorum.

ARTICLE IX.

Of the Grand Chaplain.

It shall be the duty of the Grand Chaplain to attend at every meeting of the Grand Lodge, and to open and close the same with prayer.

ARTICLE X.

Of the Grand Guardian.

It is the duty of the Grand Guardian to attend at the outward door of the Grand Lodge, and see that none enter but well known brethren and officers thereof, until he shall be satisfied.

ARTICLE XI.

Of Fees and Dues to the Grand Lodge.

SEC. 1. For every charter for a Lodge, the sum of thirty dollars, which must be paid for on delivery,

SEC. 2. Every subordinate Lodge shall pay to the Grand Lodge, at each annual communication, a sum not exceeding ten per centum on initiations, degrees, dues, and despositing cards.

ARTICLE XII.

Of Votes.

SEC. 1. Votes shall be by Lodges, or by yeas and nays,

SEC. 2. In all questions, whenever the vote by Lodges is called for, every Lodge shall be entitled to one vote through its Past Grands.

SEC. 3. The vote by Lodges on any question may be required by any one Lodge.

SEC. 4. In all other cases, every member of the Grand Lodge shall have one vote.

SEC. 5. The Past Grands of Lodges not reporting to the Grand Lodge and paying her dues, are denied the right of voting.

SEC. 6. All questions in the Grand Lodge shall be decided by a majority of members present, unless the vote by Lodges be required.

SEC. 7. When Past Grands of any Lodge are equally divided, the Representative thereof elect shall give the vote.

SEC. 8. The yeas and nays shall be recorded whenever required by one-fifth of the members present. However, in all cases where the vote by Lodges is taken, the yeas and nays shall be recorded.

ARTICLE XIII.

Of Representatives.

SEC. 1. The Past Grands of each Subordinate Lodge shall ex-officio be representatives to the Grand Lodge.

SEC. 2. Lodges without qualified brethren may appoint a Past Grand from any other Lodge to represent them.

SEC. 3. No brother can represent as proxy more than one Lodge at any one time.

SEC. 4. No Lodge can be represented by proxy if in arrears to the Grand Lodge.

SEC. 5. At the annual communication, the R. W. Grand Representative and Alternate Representative to the Grand Lodge of the United States shall be elected by ballot, to serve two years.

ARTICLE XIV.

Elections and qualifications for Office.

SEC. 1. The M. W. Grand Master, R. W. D. Grand Master, R. W. Grand Secretary, R. W. Grand Treasurer, R. W. Grand Warden, R. W. Grand Chaplain, shall be elected in the above order, at the annual communications in May, by ballot.

SEC. 2. No brother, unless he be a regular Past Grand, and a contributing member of his Subordinate Lodge, shall be eligible for or appointed to any Grand office. The Grand Master and Deputy Grand Master shall serve one year, or until the next annual communication, and not be re-eligible for that office until they have been out of office for one full term.

SEC. 3. In balloting, the Grand Secretary shall call over the votes in the following manner.

1. M. W. Grand Master, or presiding officer.
2. R. W. Deputy Grand Master.
3. R. W. Grand Secretary.
4. R. W. Grand Treasurer.
5. R. W. Grand Warden.
6. R. W. Grand Chaplain.
7. W. Grand Guardian.

8. W. Grand Conductor.

9. M. W. Past Grand Masters.

10. Past Grands, of No. 1, and continued in order of Lodges, according to seniority.

Sec. 4. The Grand Conductor shall, at each election, present the ballot box to every voter, as he is called by the Grand Secretary, and having collected all the ballots, shall deliver them to the presiding officer, who shall appoint two brothers to count the same, and announce the result.

Sec. 5. If there be more ballots than voters, the election shall be void, and the Lodge proceed anew in the election.

Sec. 6. A majority of the votes cast shall be necesssary to a choice; and if more than two brethren be balloted for, and no one of them have a majority of the votes given, the candidate having the lowest ballot shall be dropped; and thus to continue until some one of them shall have received a majority.

ARTICLE XV.

Appointment to Office.

Upon the election of Grand Master, he shall appoint the Grand Conductor and G. Guardian, who shall be considered as permanent, unless objected to by any brother, in which event a majority of the Lodges shall determine the appointment.

ARTICLE XVI.

Installation.

Sec. 1. The Grand officers shall be installed at the pleasure of the Lodge, during the communication at which they are elected.

Sec. 2. The Grand Master elect is to be installed by the present Grand Master, or the last Past Grand Master, or the Senior Past Grand, present.

Sec. 3. The Grand Master shall then install the Deputy Grand Master, and the other newly elected officers.

ARTICLE XVII.

Of the Standing Committees.

There shall be appointed at every regular annual commu-

nication of the Grand Lodge, the following Standing Committees, to consist of three members each:

1 Committee on Credentials,
2 Committee on the State of the Order,
3 Committee on Petitions,
4 Committee of Finance,
5 Committee on Returns and Reports of Subordinate Lodges,
6 Committee on Constitution, By-Laws, and Rules of Order,
7 Committee on Correspondence,
8 Committee on Subordinate Lodges not represented.

ARTICLE XVIII.

Sec. 1. Every Lodge shall make a complete semi-annual return of the whole number of its members, the number of initiations, of suspensions, expulsions, and reinstatements of members; which return shall be regularly attested by the officers of the Lodge; and at the annual session shall make a return of its officers and the name of every member, with the degrees which he may have taken.

Sec. 2. No Lodge shall confer any degree on a brother who is a member of another Lodge, without first obtaining permission of the Lodge to which the brother is attached.

Sec. 3. No Lodge shall admit a proposition to initiate any individual unless he be twenty-one years of age.

ARTICLE XIX.

Cases not provided for.

In all cases not provided for in this Constitution, the Grand Lodge shall adhere to and be governed by the ancient customs, rules, and principles of the Order.

ARTICLE XX.

Alterations and Amendments.

No amendment, alteration, or addition, shall be made to this Constitution, unless proposed in writing, at a regular communication, and supported by the Past Grands of two Lodges, (and a copy thereof certified by the Grand Secretary, shall be forwarded to every subordinate Lodge for its consideration.)

until the next annual communication of the Grand Lodge, and such proposed alteration, amendment, or addition, shall not take place, unless there shall appear in favor of it, two-thirds of the votes present.

GENERAL LAWS,

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF SUBORDINATE LODGES,

WORKING UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE

GRAND LODGE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Times of Meeting.

ART. 1. Lodges shall assemble on their appointed evenings of meeting at such times as they may appoint.

Quorum.

ART. 2. No Lodge shall be opened, unless five brethren be present, one of whom shall be qualified to fill the Chair.

Duty of the Warden.

ART. 3. The Warden shall examine every person in the room prior to the opening of the Lodge, and when opened, the Guardian shall not allow egress or ingress to any one without the usual formality.

Weekly Dues.

ART. 4. The members comprising a Lodge shall each pay into the funds of such Lodge a sum not less than six and one quarter cents per week.

Of the Officers.

ART. 5. There shall be four elective officers, viz : the Noble Grand, the Vice Grand, Secretary and Treasurer. The Right and Left Supporters to the Noble Grand, the Warden, Conductor, Guardian, and Scene Supporters, shall be appointed by the N. G. and the Right and Left Supporters to the Vice Grand shall be appointed by the Vice Grand.

Time of Holding Office.

ART. 6. Every officer shall fill his station during the space of six calendar months.

Eligibility of Officers.

ART. 7. No brother shall be held eligible for the N. G's. chair unless he shall have filled the chair of V, G., nor for the V. G's, chair unless he shall have served in an elective office to the end of the term, or filled some inferior station twenty six nights and shall have received the fifth degree, unless by special dispensation from the Grand Lodge.

Nominations to Fill the Chairs.

ART. 8. Propositions for candidates to fill any of the chairs shall be made one Lodge night immediately preceding, or on the night of election.

Past Officers not to oppose other Brothers.

ART. 9. No Past Officer shall oppose any qualified brother for such offices as he may have filled, unless the Past officer shall have been four terms out of such office, except the Secretary and Treasurer.

Fines for Tardiness.

ART. 10. Every elected or appointed officer shall attend the Lodge at the time of opening, or be fined such sum as the Lodge shall determine, unless he submit a reasonable excuse to be judged of by the Lodge.

Candidates influencing Elections.

ART. 11. Any candidate who shall attempt to influence the election, shall be fined such sum as the Lodge shall determine.

Absence from the Lodge.

ART. 12. Any elected or appointed officer who shall absent himself from his Lodge for more than three successive Lodge nights shall thereby vacate his seat, unless excused by the Lodge, and another officer shall be elected or appointed as the case may require, who shall fill the situation for the remain-

der of the term, and who shall receive all the honors of the station as though he had served the full term.

Installation.

Art, 13. The new elected officers shall be installed on the night after their election, or as soon thereafter as practicable.

Using profane or vulgar Language.

Art. 14. Any brother who shall make use of profane, vulgar, or indecent language, shall be fined in such sum as the Lodge shall determine.

Power of the Noble Grand.

Art. 15. The N. G. shall have full power to preserve order in the Lodge, and any brother refusing to obey his commands, shall for the first offence be fined, and for the second offence may be ordered to leave the room for the night.

Subordinate Lodges cannot Adjourn.

Art. 16. No subordinate Lodge has a right to adjourn, but must close in due form, after its regular business shall have been gone through with.

Committee of the Whole.

Art. 17. No Subordinate Lodge has a right to go into Committee of the Whole.

Differences between Brethren.

Art. 18. Any disputes, aggrievances, or differences existing between brethren shall be laid before the Lodge whereof the offending party is a member; the N. G. of the Lodge shall thereupon appoint a committee of five, who shall have power to summon the contending parties, and determine the matter in question; nevertheless an appeal may be made at all times to the Lodge, and from their decisions to the Grand Lodge.

Expulsions.

Art. 19. Any motion for an expulsion shall be announced in open Lodge, on the two Lodge nights previous to its being acted upon; if then carried, the person expelled shall not again

be admitted into the Lodge (unless the decision be reversed by the Grand Lodge,) and notice thereof shall be sent to subordinate Lodges under her Jurisdiction.

Provided, nevertheless, That when a member is expelled for non-payment of dues, he may be reinstated without the intervention of the Grand Lodge, by such a vote as would be necessary to admit a new member.

SEC. 2. No Lodge shall have power to expell a brother from his Lodge for any other cause than that of a violation of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of the United States, the Constitution and General Laws of the Grand Lodge, or a violation of the Laws of the land.

Voting.

ART. 20. No brother shall be allowed the privilege of votin g on the same night whereon he is initiated.

Neglect of Guardians.

ART. 21. Any out or inside Guardian who shall admit a brother without the necessary formality, shall be fined or suspended, at the discretion of the Lodge ; and should they conjointly suffer a stranger to enter the Lodge, they shall be expelled.

Divulging Proceedings.

ART. 22. Any member or visiting brother who shall divulge any of the proceedings required by them to be kept secret, or the name of a brother who may have opposed a person coming into the Order, or who may have reported unfavorably of him, to such applicants, shall be suspended or expelled at the discretion of Lodge.

Duty of the N. G. to sick Brothers.

ART. 23. In case of the application from a sick brother for assistance, the N. G. of the Lodge to which he is attached shall visit him, or cause him to be visited by the V. G.; or some other brother ; and if the brother so applying be a bona fide member, he shall pay him weekly from the funds of the Lodge, not less than three dollars per week, and also provide persons to sit up with such brother, if found necessary.

Funeral Benefits.

ART. 24. In case of the death of a brother, the N. G. of the Lodge whereof he is a member, shall cause the funeral benefit granted by such Lodge to be immediately paid to the widow of the deceased brother, which sum shall not be less than twenty dollars: should there be no widow it shall be the duty of the N. G. to have him decently interred at the expense of the Lodge.

Penalty for Intoxication.

ART. 25. Any brother who shall be found in a state of intoxication, shall be suspended, not less than twelve weeks, or may be expelled.

Of Illegal Practices.

ART. 26. Any member of the order, who shall follow any illegal practice, shall be suspended or expelled as the Lodge shall determine.

The Right of Appeal.

ART. 27. In all decisions by the N. G. the right of appeal to the Lodge shall be allowed to all brethren affected by his decision, and from that decision, to the Grand Lodge.

Fees for Admission and Degrees.

ART. 28. No person shall be received in this order for a less sum than five dollars; nor shall the five degrees be conferred on any member for a less sum than fifteen dollars (except ministers of the gospel in charge of congregations, all of whom shall be admitted free of charge,) and in all cases the fees shall be paid in advance.

Of Candidates for Membership.

ART. 29. The name, place of abode, and occupation of a person proposed for membership, shall be recorded by the Secretary of the Lodge, and the Noble Grand and Vice Grand shall appoint a committee of three brethren to examine into the character of such person, and the committee shall, after due deliberation, give in their report. If after balloting there

should be found but one black ball in the ballot-box, a second balloting may be had thereon; if on the second balloting there should not be more than one black ball, the election shall lie over until the next meeting: *Provided*, That in this latter case, the Lodge shall have power to order a re-ballot on the same evening, upon the suggestion of a brother that a mistake may have occurred. If then, after balloting, two or more black balls are found in the ballot-box, the person so opposed shall not be received into the order, and notice thereof shall be sent to the Grand Lodge and all Lodges under her jurisdiction. Nevertheless, such person may again be proposed at the expiration of six months from such application, and if elected shall be received into the order,

Of Visiting another Lodge.

ART. 30. Any brother who shall have drawn his certificate of membership from the Lodge whereunto he was connected, is entitled to the A. T. P. in use at the time, and retains the right to visit with that word for a year.

Of Withdrawal Card.

ART. 31. Any brother who may wish to leave his Lodge to join any other, shall receive his certificate of membership, provided no accounts or charges stand against him on the Secretary's books; and any brother wishing to deposit his certificate in any Lodge shall make application to such Lodge for the same through a member thereof; and if a majority do not oppose him, he shall be admitted in such Lodge.

Of the interpretation of the Laws.

ART. 32. Should any doubts arise respecting these laws they shall be determined by the Grand Lodge, and no one of them shall be altered, amended or annulled, except through motion made in the Grand Lodge, after due notice having been given to the Subordinate Lodges.

Of Spurious Lodges.

ART. 33. Any brother who shall be concerned in organizing, or who shall give countenance and support, or who shall

visit any Lodge or Lodges in the State of North Carolina, purporting to be Odd Fellows and not possessing a legal and valid charter, duly granted and presented by the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, shall be deemed unworthy of fellowship; and may, upon satisfactory proof, be suspended or expelled at the option of the Lodge. And any brother so suspended or expelled shall not be reinstated unless he makes suitable submission, and the Grand Lodge assents thereto. Nor shall any person who has been admitted to membership, in such spurious Lodge, be received into any regular Lodge without the consent of the Grand Lodge.

Sub. Lodges failing to make returns.

ART. 34. Any Subordinate Lodge failing to make its return and pay its dues to the Grand Lodge, as required by the 1st section of article 18th of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge, for two stated communications in succession, shall thereby be deemed extinct and its charter forfeited. Upon the demise of a Lodge, the last installed officers shall within three months transmit or surrender to the Grand Secretary (or such other brother as may be appointed by the Grand Lodge to receive them,) the charter, books, papers, furniture and funds of said Lodge; members of extinct Lodges, who were clear of the books of such Lodge at the time of dissolution, or who have paid up all arrearages then due to the Grand Lodge shall upon application to the Grand Secretary, receive certificates under the seal of the Grand Lodge to enable them to make application for admission to membership in other Lodges, and no member of a defunct Lodge shall be admitted, either as a visitor or member, into any regular Lodge without such certificate.

Act of Incorporation.

An act for the incorporation of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of North Carolina, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same,* That B. F. Hanks, W. S. G. Andrews, A. Paul Repiton, D. McMillan, R. B. Haywood, Evander McNair, W. H. McKee, J. H. Manly, J. Burr, Jr., A. C. Blount, O. W. Telfair, B. W. Vick, Perrin Busbee, Alexander McRae, John McRae, Jr., John McRae, Sen'r., I. Disosway, Edward Yarborough, J. G. Cook, J. B, Littlejohn, D. Cashwell, O. L. Fillyaw, A. B. Chesnutt, L, C. Hubbard, B. J. Howze, and J. T. Miller, the present Officers and Representatives in the Grand Lodge of North Carolina of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and their successors, be, and they are hereby declared to be a community, corporation, and body politic by the name and style and title aforesaid, and by that name they and their successors shall and may at all times hereafter, be capable in law to have, receive, and retain to them and their successors, property, both real and personal, also devises or bequests of any person or persons, bodies corporate or political capable of making the same, and the same at their pleasure to transfer or dispose of, in such manner as they may think proper.

Sec. 2. *And be it enacted,* That the said corporation and their successors, by the name and style and title aforesaid, shall be forever thereafter capable in law to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, answer and be answered unto, defend and be defended in all or any Courts of Justice, and before all and any Judge, officers, or persons whatsoever, in all and singular actions, or matters or demands whatsoever.

Sec. 3. *And be it enacted,* That it shall and may be lawful for the said corporation, to have a common seal for their use, and the same at their will and pleasure to change, alter, and make new, from time to time as they may think best; and shall in general have and exercise all such rights, privileges and immunities, as by law are incident or necessary to corporations and what may be necessary to the corporation herein constituted.

Read three times, and ratified in the General Assembly this 16th day of January, 1849.

ROB: B. GILLIAM,
Speaker House of Commons.

C. GRAVES,
Speaker of the Senate.

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

Right Worthy Grand Lodge

OF THE

INDEPENDENT ORDER OF ODD FELLOWS,

OF THE

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INDEPENDENT ORDER OF ODD FELLOWS.

FRIENDSHIP, LOVE AND TRUTH.

ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

OF THE

RIGHT WORTHY GRAND LODGE

OF THE

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Held at Wilmington, January, 1843.

WILMINGTON, *January* 6, 1843.

This being the day appointed, for opening the "Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of the State of North Carolina," D. D. G. Sire, George M. Baine appeared and proceeded in regular form to open the Grand Lodge. The following Past Grands were present: John Campbell, D. B. Boykin, and T. C. Williams, of Weldon Lodge, No. 1. Alexander McRae, John McRae, A. P. Repiton, and W. S. G. Andrews, of Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2. R. H. Worthington of Wilmington Lodge, No. 3.

After the reading of the Dispensation from the Grand Sire of the United States, by virtue of which, the Grand Lodge was instituted, and also the Warrant authorising Deputy District Grand Sire, G. M. Baine, to open the same; the Past Grands present proceeded to the election of officers, when on ballot, it appeared that the following officers were duly elected, viz:

JOHN CAMPBELL	*M. W. G. Master.*
R. H. WORTHINGTON,	*R. W. D. G. Master.*
W. S. G. ANDREWS,	*R. W. G. Secretary.*
ALEXANDER MCRAE,	*R. W. G. Treasurer.*
JOHN MCRAE,	*R. W. G. Warden.*

The officers then came forward and were duly installed. The M. W. G. Master made the following appointments:

T. C. Williams,	*W. G. Guardian.*
D. B. Boykin,	*W. G. Conductor.*
A. P. Repiton,	*R. W. G. Chaplain.*

Deputy District Grand Sire, G. M. Baine, delivered the Dispensation, and the Grand Lodge proceeded to the transaction of business.

On motion of Rep. Alexander McRae, a Committee was appointed to consist of Past Grands, A. McRae, A. P. Repiton and R. H. Worthington, to prepare and submit to the Grand Lodge, a Constitution and By-Laws for the government of the same.

On motion of Alexander McRae, the M. W. G. Master was added to the above Committee.

On motion, the Lodge adjourned to meet again to-morrow, at 9 o'clock.

January 7.

The Grand Lodge met pursuant to adjournment.

On invitation from Cape Fear Lodge No. 2, the Grand Lodge joined in a procession, and other ceremonies, incident to the dedication of the new Hall just built by Cape Fear Lodge, after which the G. Lodge adjourned until 2 1-2, P. M.

January 7, 2 1-2, P. M.

The Grand Lodge met according to adjournment.

The Committee appointed, reported the following Constitution and By-Laws, for the government of the Grand Lodge.*

Moved by Rep. A. P. Repiton, that the Constitution and By-Laws reported by the Committee be adopted, which motion was carried.

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* The Constitution and By-Laws, as revised at the Annual Communication in 1849, will be found on page, 39.

On motion, a committee was appointed to prepare the Constitution and By-Laws for printing, and to superintend the same ; committee, Reps. A. P. Repiton and John McRae.

On motion, Reps. D. B. Boykin, Alexander McRae, and the M. W. Grand Master, were appointed a committee to procure a seal for the Grand Lodge, which was carried ; and on further motion, the same committee was appointed to have charters, keys, cards and Dispensations printed for the use of the Grand Lodge.

Reps. A. P. Repiton, and J. McRae, were appointed a committee, to borrow the amount necessary to pay for the articles purchased by the committees for the use of the Grand Lodge.

The Grand Lodge then adjourned, *sine die*.

W. S. G. ANDREWS, *Grand Secretary*.

ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

OF THE

RIGHT WORTHY GRAND LODGE

OF THE

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Held at Wilmington, May, 1843.

WILMINGTON, *May* 10, 1843.

The R. W. Grand Lodge convened this day, it being the regular Annual Communication, when the following officers were present:

JOHN CAMPBELL,	*M. W. G. Master.*
R. H. WORTHINGTON,	*R. W. D. G. Master.*
W. S. G. ANDREWS,	*R. W. G. Secretary.*
ALEXANDER MCRAE,	*R. W. G. Treasurer.*
JOHN MCRAE,	*R. W. G. Warden.*
A. P. REPITON,	*R. W. G. Chaplain.*

And Representatives from all the Lodges in the State.

The Grand Lodge was then opened in due form. The Proceedings of the last meeting were read.

P. G., J. D. Gardner came forward and was duly conducted to the R. W. G. Lodge, the G. L. Degree having been conferred upon him.

The M. W. G. Master appointed the following committees.

Committee of Conference.

Representatives, W. S. G. Andrews, and A. P. Repiton.

Executive Committee.

Representatives, A. P. Repiton, and A. McRae.

Committee of Accounts.

Representatives, W. S. G. Andrews, and J. D. Gardner.

Committee of Correspondence.

Representatives, J. McRae, and R. H. Worthington.

Rep. J. D. Gardner was appointed Grand Guardian, *pro tem.*

On motion of Rep. J. McRae, the Grand Lodge adjourned until to-morrow, 4 1-2 P. M.

Thursday, May 11th, 4½ P. M.

The Grand Lodge met pursuant to adjournment, and was opened in due form for the dispatch of business.

The Committee of Conference then presented the following Report:

The Committee of Conference have examined the returns of subordinate Lodges, and find all to be informal.

The return of Weldon Lodge, No. 1, wants the signature of the officers entire.

The returns of Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, and Washington Lodge, No. 3, want the signature of the V. G.

They are also imperfect in wanting a statement of the amount disbursed for purposes of relief and charity.

No. 1, reports Lodge receipts for the quarter ending 31st March, $22 81; per cent. due Grand Lodge $2 28.

No. 2, for the quarter ending 1st April, $380 58; per cent. due Grand Lodge, $38 05.

No. 3, for quarter ending 6th April, $59 99; per cent. due G. Lodge, $5 99.

Total Lodge receipts $463 38; per cent. $46 33.

They recommend that the reports be received, and the Lodges be instructed, for the future, to have them properly made out, and that the Grand Lodge furnish each subordinate Lodge with a form. All of which is submitted.

W. S. G. ANDREWS,
A. P. REPITON.

On motion of Rep. R. H. Worthington, of Washington

Lodge, No. 3, the report of the Committee was received.

The Committee of Accounts reported that they found no accounts requiring their examination, which, on motion of Rep. J. McRae, was received.

The Committee of Correspondence presented the following report:

Your Committee of Correspondence, beg most respectfully, to submit the following report. Having given the subject under consideration a careful examination, they find nothing to recommend except compliance with a requisition of the Grand Lodge of the U. S., which directs an impression of the seal of each Grand Lodge to be forwarded to that body.

JOHN McRAE,
R. H. WORTHINGTON.

Rep. R. H. Worthington, of Washington Lodge, No. 3, then presented the following appeal of *P. G.*, James H. Britt, from the decision of that Lodge:

At a regular meeting of Washington Lodge, No. 3, I. O. O. F., held at their Hall, in the town of Murfreesboro', N. C., on Friday evening the 31st March, 1843, the claim of Brother R. R. Parker, who was sick some time about the last of February, was presented by Brother F. M. Capehart, which gave rise to some debate in regard to the Brother's being entitled, when the following resolution was offered and passed:

Resolved, That the N. G., appoint a committee of seven to investigate the case of Bro. R. R. Parker who was sick during the month of February, viz: to say whether the Brother under the circumstances is entitled to the benefits of the Lodge, and report next Lodge night. The next Lodge night arrived, and the committee begged further time to report, which was granted; at the next regular meeting four of the committee reported that the Brother was not entitled, and two that he was, and one excused from reporting—whereupon the vote of the Lodge was taken upon the reception of the majority's report, and on counting the votes it was ascertained to be a tie, when the N. G., gave the casting vote. On the next Lodge night Brother R. R. Parker stated to the Lodge, that the majority's report had not been legally received, inasmuch as one of the Brothers who voted for it was at the time of voting, more than three months in arrears; when the vote of the Lodge was taken, to say whether the Brother's vote referred to was legal or not, and decided it was not; casting out this vote and that of the N. G., who would not have been entitled, had not this Brother voted, it showed a majority against the reception of the majority report. The vote of the Lodge was taken on the reception of the minority's report and received.

P. G., James H. Britt then made application for an appeal from the decision of this Lodge to the M. W. G. Lodge, of North Carolina, which was

granted. Brother R. R. Parker was initiated the 6th of August, 1842, paid up his dues to the 31st of December, 1842, and was taken sick the 26th of February, A. D. 1843.

Given under our hands and seal of the Lodge the 5th of April, A. D. 1843.

J. W. HILL, N. G.

ROBERT S. PARKER, *Secretary.*

The appeal and accompanying documents were read.

On motion of Rep. W. S. G. Andrews, of Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, Reps. A. P. Repiton, J. D. Gardner, and John McRae, were appointed a Committee to examine the papers and report to the Grand Lodge.

The Select Committee on the appeal of P. G., J. H. Britt, submitted the following report:

Your committee beg leave to report, that, whereas, an appeal has been presented to this Grand Lodge by P. G., James H. Britt, of Washington Lodge, No. 3, from the decision of said Lodge in the case of Brother R. R. Parker, and it appearing to the Grand Lodge, that the whole matter resolves itself into this question: "Had Brother Parker been a regular contributing member under the law for six months, and as such entitled to the benefits by said law made and provided?" Therefore,

Resolved, As the opinion of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, that Brother R. R. Parker was a contributing member within the full and entire meaning of the law, and as such, entitled to the weekly benefits.

Resolved, That the decision of Washington Lodge No. 3, be confirmed by this Grand Lodge. Signed,

A. PAUL REPITON,
J. D. GARDNER,
JOHN McRAE.

Moved by Rep. W. S. G. Andrews, that the report be received, which was unanimously carried.

On motion of Rep. J. McRae, the G. L., then adjourned until to-morrow 4½ o'clock, P. M.

Friday May 12th, 1843, 4½ P, M.

The R. W. G. Lodge met pursuant to adjournment.

The proceedings of last meeting were read and approved.

The Grand Master then declared the first business before the G. L., to be the election of officers: whereupon, the G

L., proceeded to the election of officers for the ensusing year, which resulted as follows:

R. H. Worthington,	of No. 3,	*M. W. Grand Master.*
John McRae,	of " 2,	*R. W. D. G. Master.*
J. D. Gardner,	of " "	*R. W. Grand Secretary.*
A. McRae,	of " "	*R. W. Grand Treasurer.*
W. S. G. Andrews,	of " "	*R. W. Grand Warden.*
A. P. Repiton,	of " "	*R. W. Grand Chaplain.*
J. Campbell,	of " 1	*R. W. G. Representative.*

After which, the officers came forward and were duly installed according to the ancient forms and usages of the Order.

The M. W. Grand Master then appointed the following officers:

Rep. Wm. T. Whitfield, of No. 1, *Grand Guardian.*
" R. S. Parker, of " 3, *Grand Conductor.*

Resolved, That Article 1st of the General Laws of this G. L., for the government of Subordinate Lodges, be and the same is hereby repealed; leaving the hours of meeting for the regulation of Subordinate Lodges.

On motion of Rep. A. McRae, of Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, Rep. W. S. G. Andrews, of Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, submitted the following question, to which the subjoined answer was given.

If the By-Laws of a Lodge require a Brother to be a contributing member six months before he is entitled to benefits, can he claim benefits if he has been seven months a member, and has only paid his dues for five months, although, according to the laws of the Lodge, he may stand fair on the Secretary's book?

Ans. It is the opinion of the G. S., that a Brother is to be considered a contributing member as long as he continues to stand fair on the Secretary's book, and if he has been six months a member fully entitled to benefits.

Rep. Repiton, of Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, submitted the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the 31st article of the General Laws require two black balls to reject a candidate for initiation, and if, after the second balloting, there appear but one black ball he shall be declared elected.

On motion of Rep. Andrews, the Grand Secretary was

authorized to make out and present Past Grand Master, John Campbell, his certificate of P. G. M., and also the certificate of Grand Representative.

The Grand Master appointed the following Committees:

Committee of Conference.

Reps. Andrews, of No. 3, Gardner, of No. 2, and J. McRae, of No. 2.

Committee of Accounts.

Reps. J. McRae, Andrews and Whitfield, of No. 1.

Executive Committee.

Reps. Williams, of No. 3, A. McRae, of No. 2, and Pitman.

Committee of Correspondence.

Reps. Repiton, of No. 2, Gardner, of No. 2, and Britt, of No. 3.

J. McRae then presented the following resolution, which was adopted.

Resolved, That the Committee appointed to procure a seal for the G. L., be allowed further time to discharge the duty assigned them, and that they forward an impression of the seal to the G. L., of the United States.

Rep. A. McRae then presented the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Lodge be presented to P. G. M., Campbell, for the able, dignified, and impartial manner with which he has discharged the duties of his office as first G. M., for the State of North Carolina.

On motion of Rep. Campbell, the G. L., adjourned until to-morrow 4½ o'clock, P. M.

W. S. G. ANDREWS, *G. S.*

Saturday evening, May 13th, 4 o'clock, P. M.

The R. W. Grand Lodge met pursuant to adjournment.

The proceedings of the last meeting were read and adopted.

The following Preamble and Resolutions were offered by Rep. W. S. G. Andrews—

WHEREAS, it hath pleased Almighty God to remove from this terrestial Lodge, to the Grand Lodge above, our esteemed friend and Brother, D. B. BOYKIN, late a member of this Grand Body, and a P. G., of Weldon Lodge, No. 1; and feeling the most lively sympathy for the widow and children of the deceased brother, while we rejoice to know that they are comforted by the blessed assurances of our Holy religion, of which he was a professor, that their loss is his infinite gain; yet, we esteem it a privilege to offer our condolence to the bereaved. Be it therefore,

Resolved by the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, in annual session assembled, That we deeply sympathise with the family of Brother D. B. Boykin in their afflictive bereavement by which a husband and father has been removed from amongst them.

Resolved, That as a testimonial of respect to our deceased Brother, the members of the Grand Lodge will wear the usual badge of mourning for three months.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded by the Grand Secretary to our sister, Mrs. Boykin, and to the "Independent Odd Fellow" for publication.

On motion of Rep. J. Campbell, of Weldon Lodge, No. 1.

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to enquire into the expediency of raising a School Fund by the Grand Lodge of the State of North Carolina, for the education of orphan children of the members of the Order; and for the accomplishment of that object that the subordinate Lodges be requested to open subscriptions; and that said committee be requested to report at the next meeting of the Grand Lodge.

Under the above resolution the following committee was appointed:

Reps. John Campbell, John McRae, and A. P. Repiton.

On motion of Rep. John McRae,

Resolved, That a committee of two be appointed to superintend the printing of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge, and that the said committee be authorised to send copies of said procedings to the G. L., of the United States, and such other Lodges and persons as they may deem advisable; and that they also be authorised to draw on the Treasurer for money to pay the expenses of printing, &c.

Committee under the above resolution, Reps. A. P. Repiton and J. D. Gardner.

No further business appearing, the Grand Lodge was closed in due form.

J. D. GARDNER, *Grand Secretary*.

ANNUAL COMMUNICATION,

OF THE

RIGHT WORTHY GRAND LODGE

OF THE

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Held at Wilmington, May 1844.

WILMINGTON, *May* 8, 1844.

The R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina convened this day, it being the regular Annual Communication, when were present the following Officers:

R. H. WORTHINGTON,	*M. W. Grand Master.*
JOHN MCRAE,	*R. W. D. G. Master.*
J. D. GARDNER,	*R. W. G. Secretary.*
ALEXANDER MCRAE,	*R. W. G. Treasurer.*
W. S. G. ANDREWS,	*R. W. G. Warden.*
A. P. REPITON,	*R. W. G. Chaplain.*
_____	*W. G. Conductor.*
_____	*W .G. Guardian.*

The Grand Lodge was then opened with the usual formalities of the Order.

The Committee of Conference reported the following representation:

Weldon Lodge, No. 1, M. W. P. G. M., John Campbell,
Cape Fear " " 2, P. G., T. H. Howey,
" " " " P. G., W. O. Jeffreys,
" " " " P. G., John McRae, Jr.,
Washington " 3, M. W. G. M., R. H. Worthington,
Thaddeus " " 5, P. G., Robert Thomas.

Bro. James A. McRae, from the Clarendon Lodge, No. 4, submitted the following papers in reference to his qualifications as representative form that Lodge.

I. O. O. F.

Clarendon Lodge, No. 4, instituted at Fayetteville, the 22d day of August, 1843, now held at their Hall, in the Town Fayetteville.

REGULAR MEETING,
Friday afternoon, Oct. 3, 1843.

The Lodge was opened and proceeded to the election of officers. V. G., James A. McRae, was duly elected and installed N. G.

IN OPEN LODGE, FRIDAY EVENING,
October 27, 1843.

The following preamble and resolution offered by Bro. W. Winslow was adopted:

WHEREAS, The N. G. of this Lodge, James A. McRae, has for more than three successive regular meetings failed to attend this Lodge, and to preside over the deliberations of the same; Therefore,

Be it Resolved, That this Lodge do hereby declare that the seat of the N. G. is *ipso facto*, vacated according to the provisions of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina.

Upon motion to that effect made and carried, the Lodge then proceeded to ballot for N. G., when V. G., Baker was declared unanimously elected.

IN OPEN LODGE—REGULAR MEETING,
Friday Evening, March 16, 1844.

"*Resolved*, (on motion of Bro. W. Winslow,) That the N. G. be instructed to correspond with the G. M., upon the matter of Bro. James A. McRae's right to the honors of and privileges of P. G., and if necessary to request a dispensation in his case."

A true copy from the minutes.

A. McLEAN, *Secretary*.

IN OPEN LODGE, May 4th, 1844.

Bro. James A. McRae, being present, rendered a satisfactory excuse for vacating his seat as N. G. of this Lodge in October last, stating that business called him to New York, and that he was absent under a travelling card from this Lodge, and the Lodge doth now consider the excuse good and sufficient, and doth excuse said Bro., and the Lodge now taking

into consideration, that the next communication of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina will be held at Wilmington, on Wednesday next, doth now appoint our said Bro. James A. McRae, to represent this Lodge in the said communication.

A true extract from the minutes,

A. McLEAN, *Secretary.*

All of which having on motion been referred to the Committee of Correspondence, they reported as follows:

"That inasmuch as his absence from the Chair of N. G. of Clarendon Lodge, No. 4, arose not from a disposition to neglect its duties, the committee think him entitled to represent that Lodge as P. G. in the present communication of this Grand Lodge, and that he is entitled to all the honors of a P. G.

A. PAUL REPITON, *Chairman.*"

On motion the report of the committee was received and adopted, and Bro. McRae was recognized as a representative, and admitted to a seat.

On motion of Rep. W. S. G. Andrews, the reading of the minutes of the last Annual Communication was dispensed with, the same having been printed and a copy in possession of each member.

The various committees being called on for reports, asked further time, which was granted.

M. W. G. M., R. H. Worthington, then read the following report:

In presenting the Grand Lodge an epitome of the acts of the Grand Master within the last twelve months, it is a source of much pleasure, to be enabled to congratulate the members on the increasing prosperity of the Order within our jurisdiction.

Although Odd Fellowship has not spread with all of that ardor and spirit which has marked its progress in some of our sister States, yet it is truly gratifying to the friends of active benevolence to contemplate its present condition in the Old North State. Little more than two years have elapsed since its advent within our borders, and we have a Grand Lodge, two Subordinate Encampments, and four Subordinate Lodges, numbering over 250 members, that for sterling integrity and moral worth, will rank with the individuals to be found in any other institution in our country. The Order by its works is steadfastly gaining its way into the affections of the good, and we may confidently anticipate the day (not distant) when its

benign principles will be disseminated throughout the entire length and breadth of our State.

Application from a number of Brethren in Fayetteville having been made through P. G. Master Campbell, a dispensation was issued, and the R. W. D. G. Master at once repaired thither, and on the 22d of August, assisted by several Brethren from Cape Fear, instituted Clarendon Lodge, No. 4, under circumstances highly flattering to the prospects of the institution there.

A dispensation was also granted in December last on the application of a legal number of qualified Brethren, in and about Warsaw, to open a Lodge there. The dispensation was forwarded to the D. G. Master, and that officer, with a zeal truly unwavering, immediately repaired thither, and in due form opened and installed Thaddeus Lodge, No. 5. From the sparseness of the population, in that part of the country, we may not immediately expect a Lodge of great numerical strength, yet from the representations made to the G. M. of the ability of the Brethren, in whose hands the work has been left—their devotion to the principles of the Order, and their close union in the bonds of F. L. and T., it is but reasonable to expect their little fraternity may be productive of much good. It was thought the interests of both these Lodges would be promoted by a more liberal choice of candidates to fill the chairs, than would be had under the 7th article of the general laws, &c. They were therefore at liberty to select from among their scarlet members, suitable persons to fill the chairs for the first two quarters.

Since the last annual communication of the G. L., the G. M. has found it necessary to act on some matters submitted for his decision, without an interchange of sentiment with the members of it, in consequence of immediate action being necessary to the well being of the Order. In all such decisions, he has been governed solely, by what he deemed the true interest of the Order, and if the letter of the Law has not in all cases been rigidly adherred to, it is that the spirit of it, might be the better preserved.

The selection from among scarlet members, &c., constitutes one of these cases; the others will follow in the order in which they occurred.

On the 14th of November last, a communication was received from Bro. Baker, acting as N. G. of Clarendon Lodge, No. 4, stating that their first quarter was made to determine on the last of September, i. e. about five weeks after its institution; early in the commencement of their next quarter N. G., McRae was called by business to New York, and the office declared vacant by a vote of the Lodge. V. G., Baker was then elected to fill the unexpired term, but had not been installed up to the date of his communication, owing to the absence of Bro. McNair. It will be perceived here that although the Lodge had passed what she considered a legal quarter, there was no qualified P. G. to install the officers, unless the proceedings up to the 30th Sep. were legalized. A dispensation was accordingly granted, declaring Bro. McNair a duly qualified P. G. Instructions

were at the same time given to the N. G. elect, to call on the P. G. at the next regular meeting to open the Lodge, and install the officers, or in his absence to open himself, and in presence of the Lodge to take the O. B. N. of Office, after which install the V. G. &c., and by filling the office to the end of the quarter, would be entitled to the honors of it.

Early in this year a dispensation was granted Thaddeus Lodge, No. 5, to assemble semi-monthly instead of weekly. This change was made on the application of the Brethren, in consequence of an inability to obtain the presence of a sufficient number of members weekly.

The Brethren however do not claim immunity from the law governing Lodges which meet weekly, but will make out their reports so as to embrace a period of thirteen nights in three calendar months.

A dispensation was granted Clarendon Lodge, No. 4. in March last, to entertain petitions of such persons as had been rejected within the preceding six months. N. G., McRae in his letter of application says: "During the last six months, from a desire to avoid admitting improper persons, we have unadvisedly carried the matter rather too far, and in some instances have rejected applicants of good character in too great haste. Injustice has thus been done them, and I fear injury to the Lodge."

On the 6th of April a communication was received from N. G., Newby, of Clarendon Lodge, No. 4, asking for information in relation to the rule of conferring degrees. of which the following is an extract, and contains the gist of it: "1st. In balloting for candidates to receive the degrees, does the rule of the Subordinate Lodge apply, or does a simple majority of the members voting entitle the candidate to receive the degree? This question I think would require a full and explicit answer, as much of the future harmony of our Lodge might depend on a correct understanding of the matter. 2d. Can a candidate be balloted for, for all of the degrees on the same night? If not, then how, and in what manner, could one person take more than one degree on the same night?"

In my reply I stated an unwillingness to decide on the questions as the Grand Lodge would soon convene, and intimated a reference (with their permission,) to that body, doubting not, but in their decision, all parties would be satisfied. R. H. WORTHINGTON, *G. M.*

On motion the report was received and referred to the Committee of Correspondence, with instructions to report on all matters contained therein, which may seem to require the action of this Grand Lodge.

The Grand Lodge then adjourned to meet at 3 o'clock.

The Committee of Correspondence to whom was referred the report of the Grand Master, presented the following report:

Your Committee of Correspondence beg leave to report, that they have

had the report of our M. W. Grand Master under consideration, and with regard to all his official acts therein specified, recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

"*Resolved*, That this Grand Lodge do approve and ratify the same."

In reference to the inquiries from Clarendon Lodge, No. 4, your Committee recommend the following replies: that in balloting for candidates for degrees, the Lodge should be opened in each separate degree which they propose to take, and in all cases of balloting those only of the degree applied for should be entitled to vote, and the rule as to what shall elect be the same as in the reception of members. Your Committee see no reason why a member may not be balloted for and receive more than one degree on the same evening, subject to the aforesaid regulation.

A. PAUL REPITON, *Chairman.*

On motion of Rep. W. S. G. Andrews the report of the Committee was received, and the accompanying recommendations unanimously adopted as the sense of this Grand Lodge.

Rep. James A. McRae presented the following resolution in compliance with instructions from Clarendon Lodge, No. 2.

"*Resolved*, That Article 7th of the general laws of this Grand Lodge be so amended, that any Brother of the Scarlet Degree in good standing shall be eligible to any office in the Subordinate Lodge."

Which being sustained by the Representatives of the requisite number of Subordinate Lodges, was ordered to be spread upon the minutes for action, at the next Annual Communication, and notice to be giving to the Subordinate Lodges.

On motion of Rep. J. A. McRae,

Resolved, That the name of Clarendon Lodge, No. 4, be and the same is hereby changed to Cross Creek Lodge, No. 4,

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, May 9th, 1844.

The Lodge met according to adjournment.

Rep. James A. McRae then submitted a resolution as emanating from Cross Creek Lodge, No. 4, recommending a memorial from this Grand Lodge to the G. L. of the United States, to amend certain portions of the Past Grand's charge, which after discussion was unanimously rejected.

The Executive Committee, through their Chairman, made the following report:

"That no business has been submitted for their consideration, and therefore have nothing to offer for the action of the Grand Lodge.

ALEXANDER McRAE, *Chairman.*"

On motion of Rep. Alexander McRae,

Resolved, That a dispensation be granted to Cross Creek Lodge, No. 4, to select her officers from any of her Scarlet members during the ensuing year.

The Grand Treasurer presented his account current, which was approved and ordered to be printed.

GRAND LODGE OF N. C., I. O. O. F.

1843— *In account current with Alx'r McRae, Treasurer.*

Sept. 16,	To cash paid dues to Grand Lodge, U. S.	$20 00
" " " " "	for Blanks,	10 00
Nov. 27, " " "	A. A. Brown for printing pro'gs,	16 00
"	Balance in hands of Treas'r, May 8th, '44,	92
		$46 92

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May 12,	By dues received from Weldon Lodge, No. 1,	$2 88
" " " " "	Cape F. Lodge, No. 2,	38 05
" " " " "	Wash'n Lodge, No. 3,	5 99
		$46 92

On motion of Rep. John McRae,

Resolved, That a charter be granted to Cross Creek Lodge, No. 4, and Thaddeus Lodge, No. 5.

Resolved further, That the Secretary have Charters made out for Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, and Washington Lodge, No. 3, and that the present Charters from the Grand Lodge of the United States be returned.

The Committee of Accounts submitted the following report:

Your Committee beg leave to report that they have examined the reports of the Subordinate Lodges, and find them all correct, except Cape Fear Lodge. No. 2, which is deficient in the signatures of the proper officers, and Weldon Lodge, No. 1, from which there is no return. Your Committee recommend that the officers of Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, be allowed to supply the deficiencies in their report, and that it be received.

JOHN McRAE,
W. S. G. ANDREWS,
WILL. O. JEFFREYS.

On motion the report was received and adopted.

ANNUAL REPORT

Of Lodges under the Jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, for the term ending, Dec. 31st, 1843.

Names of Lodges.	Number of Initiations.	Admitted by Card.	Suspended.	Expelled.	Reinstated.	Rejected.	Past Grands.	Deaths.	Withd'n by Card.	Whole number of cont'g members.	Whole amount of Receipts.	Amount paid for the relief of Brothers.	Number of Brothers relieved.	Amount paid for relief of widows.	Charities.	Dues to Grand Lodge.
Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2,	28	5	1	2	1	5	9	.	10	123	$756 11	$474 75	7	. . .	$100	$75 60
Washington Lodge, No. 3,	9	1	.	1	.	.	8	1	3	47	259 64	50 50	10	90 44	. .	25 96
Clarendon Lodge, No. 4,	69	1	.	.	.	10	3	.	1	72	1179 43	. . .	. .	. . .	. .	117 94
Thaddeus Lodge, No. 5,	9	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	15	163 65	. . .	. .	. . .	. .	16 36
	1 15	7	1	3	1	15	21	1	14	257	2,358 83	$525 25	17	$90 44	$100	$235 86

The Committee further reported the following statement showing the present financial condition of the Grand Lodge:

Balance in the hands of G. Treasurer, May 8, 1844,		92
Rec'd for Dispensation to Clarendon Lodge. No. 4,		30 00
" " Thaddeus Lodge, No. 5,		30 00
" Dues from Clarendon Lodge, No. 4,		117 94
" " Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2,		75 60
" " Washington Lodge, No. 3.		25 96
" " Thaddeus Lodge, No. 5,		16 36
Cash on hand,		$296 78

The Committee to whom was referred the resolution offered by P. G. M., Campbell at the last Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, submitted the following report, which with the accompanying resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Your committee to whom was referred the resolution of P. G. M., Campbell, on the subject of raising a fund for the education of orphan children by the Grand Lodge, beg leave to report, that as the education of the orphan children of the members of the Order, is one of our imperative duties, with a view to the attainment of that object,

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge is pledged to provide for the education of orphan children of the members of this Order, whose circumstances shall require such aid as the Lodges to which their fathers belonged shall be unable to extend them.

Resolved, That the surplus funds of the Grand Lodge be placed at interest, until required to enable the Grand Master to carry out the object of the foregoing resolution.

On motion of Rep. W. S. G. Andrews,

Resolved That whenever a Lodge shall surrender its Charter to this Grand Lodge, it shall be the duty of the Secretary of such Lodge, to furnish the G. L. a list of the names of all the members of such Lodge, showing the standing of each member, the amount of liabilities to, and amounts due by such Lodge; also the number and names of widows and orphans of deceased members, and that the Grand Secretary shall issue a certificate or card to the widows of such deceased members as were in good standing at the time of their death.

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be instructed to keep an accurate list of the names of all widows and orphans of deceased Brethren, which may from time to time be thus brought to his notice, on the books of the Grand Lodge.

The Grand Master then announced that the next business before the Lodge, was the election of officers for the ensuing year.

On motion of Rep. Alexander McRae, a recess of ten minutes was granted for consultation.

The Lodge being called to order an election was entered into, when on balloting the following officers were declared duly elected :

JOHN MCRAE, of No. 2, *R. W. G. Master,*
JAMES A. MCRAE, " 4, *R. W. D. G. Master,*
WM. O. JEFFREYS, " 2, *R. W. G. Secretary.*
J. D. GARDNER, " " *R. W. G. Treasurer.*
ROBERT THOMAS, " 5, *R. W. G. Warden,*
E. MCNAIR, " 4, *R. W. G. Chaplain,*
ALEX. MCRAE, " 2, *Grand Representative* to the Grand Lodge of the United States.

The Lodge then adjourned.

THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Lodge met according to adjournment, when the officers elect came forward and were duly installed, according to the ancient forms and usages of the Order.

The M. W. G. Master, then appointed P. G., Lewis D. Spires, G. Conductor ; and P. G., Thomas H. Howey, Grand Guardian.

The following resolution offered by Rep. W. S. G, Andrews, having been sustained by the Representatives of the requisite number of Subordinate Lodges, was ordered to be spread upon the minutes, for the action of the Grand Lodge at its next Annual Communication, and notice to be given to the Subordinate Lodges.

Resolved That Art. 11th, Sec. 2d, be so amended as to read, a sum *not exceeding* 10 per cent.

P. G. M., John Campbell, late of Weldon Lodge, No, 1, came forward and surrendered to the Grand Lodge, the Charter, books, and seal of Weldon Lodge, No. 1 ; whereupon the Grand Lodge appointed him to take charge of the effects of that Lodge, dispose of so much as may be necessary to cancel its liabilities, and hold any balance subject to the order of the Grand Lodge.

On motion of Rep. Thomas, a dispensation was granted

allowing the officers of Thaddeus Lodge, No. 5, to retain their respective offices for the space of six calendar months, or to the end of the quarter.

On motion of Rep. W. S. G. Andrews. ordered, that two bills, one for printing, and the other for the seal of the Grand Lodge, be paid.

On motion, ordered that P. G. M., John Campbell's expenses as late Representative to the Lodge of the United States be paid.

The M. W. G. Master then appointed the following Committees.

Committee of Conference.

P. G., B. A. Spires, of Washington Lodge, No. 3.
P. G., J. Ballard, of Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2.
P. G., J. McRae, Jr., " " " "

Committee of Correspondence.

P. G., John McRae, of Cross Creek Lodge, No. 4.
P. G., Robert Thomas, of Thaddeus Lodge, No. 5.
P. G., W. O. Jeffreys, of Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2.

Committee of Accounts.

P. G., W. S. G. Andrews of Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2.
P. G., T. H. Howey, " " " " "
P. G., E. Carter, Washington Lodge, No. 3.

Executive Committee.

P. G., Alexander McRae, of Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2.
P. G., J. D. Gardner, " " " "
P. G., J. W. Hill, Washington Lodge, No. 3.

Adjourned.

Friday, May 10th, 1844.

Rep. James A. McRae offered the following preamble and resolution, which were unanimously adopted.

WHEREAS, The subject of education is one of deep and abiding interest to this Grand Lodge, and whereas Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, has now a male and female school in operation in this town, in which has been adopted the Prussian System, with a view of informing ourselves as to its merits and prospect of success.

Resolved, That the Grand Lodge as a body visit said school.

The members then in a body repaired to the school, where something more than two hours were spent in witnessing an examination of the classes in their various studies.

After returning to the Lodge Room, the following resolution was offered by Rep. James A. McRae, and unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge is highly gratified with the examination of the scholars, and that the capacity and aptness of the teachers in the various departments has given entire satisfaction; and from the result of the examination made, the Lodge is fully satisfied that the system upon which the school is taught, is well calculated to impart a thorough knowledge of the various branches of study, to the scholars, on the cheapest plan and in the most practicable and useful manner, and would therefore earnestly recommend to the Subordinate Lodges the propriety of extending this system of education, by establishing schools on this system whenever their resources will admit of their doing so. And whereas the great difficulty at present appears to be the obtaining of competent teachers, they recommend that each of the Subordinate Lodges, either send a teacher or scholars to this or some other school, taught on the same plan for the purpose of becoming qualified to teach on this system.

On motion of Rep. Alexander McRae,

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Lodge be unanimously voted to our M. W. P. G. M., R. H. Worthington, for the able, dignified, and zealous manner in which he discharged the duties of G. M., during his term of office.

On motion the following brethren were nominated and appointed a committee to superintend the publication of the proceedings of this communication of the Grand Lodge:

Reps. W. S. G. Andrews, John McRae, Jr., W. O. Jeffreys.

And on motion, our M. W. G. M., John McRae was added to the Committee.

No further business appearing the Grand Lodge then adjourned *sine die.*

WILL. O. JEFFREYS, *Grand Secretary.*

ANNUAL COMMUNICATION,

OF THE

RIGHT WORTHY GRAND LODGE

OF THE

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Held at Wilmington, May, 1845.

WILMINGTON, *May* 13, 1845.

The R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina assembled this day; when, on calling the Roll, the following Officers were found to be present:

JOHN MCRAE, Sr.,	*M. W. Grand Master.*
W. O. JEFFREYS,	*R. W. G. Secretary.*
JUNIUS D. GARDNER,	*R. W. G. Treasurer.*
ROBERT THOMAS,	*R. W. G. Warden.*
ALEXANDER MCRAE,	*R. W. G. Representative.*
THOMAS H. HOWEY,	*W. Grand Guardian.*

The following Representatives and Past Grands appeared, and their credentials having been examined and found correct, they were declared entitled to seats, viz:

Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2., M. W. P. G. M., Alex'r McRae.
" " " " " P. G., W. S. G. Andrews,
" " " " " P. G., John McRae, Jr.,
" " " " " P. G., Stephen D. Wallace,
" " " " " P. G., Horace Burr,
" " " " " P. G., B. L. Hoskins,
" " " " " P. G., J. B. Ballard.
Washington " " 3, P. G., James A. Harrell,
Cross Creek " " 4, P. G., J. B. Newby,
Thaddeus " " 5, P. G., Thaddeus D. Love.

The Grand Lodge was then duly opened, and declared ready for business.

The Reports from the *Standing Committees* being called for, the following was submitted by the Committee to whom was referred the Returns from the Subordinate Lodges:

That they had examined the Reports from the Subordinate Lodges, and find those of Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, deficient in the amount paid for the relief of Members, and in some other minor particulars; and those of Thaddeus Lodge, No. 5, have not the signature of the Vice Grand affixed to them. The Reports from Washington and Cross Creek Lodges are found correct. The Committee recommend that Cape Fear and Thaddeus Lodges be allowed until to-morrow to perfect their Reports.

(Signed) JOHN McRAE, Jr., *Chairman.*

On motion, the above Report was received and ordered on file.

The other Committee asked further time to report, which was granted.

The M. W. Grand Master then read his Annual Report, as follows:

ANNUAL REPORT,

Of M. W. G. Master John McRae, Sr.

Since the last Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge, little has occurred to mark the steady increase and prosperity of the Order over which it presides. In the early part of the past year, I received a communication from P. G. M. Campbell, making a requisition for the Benefits due the widow of a member of the late Weldon Lodge, which sum ($30,) I directed the Grand Treasurer to remit to him for her. He accordingly did so. Not having received any report of the condition of that Lodge from P. G. M. Campbell, (the Agent appointed by the Grand Lodge to settle the affairs of that Lodge,) I do not know whether the above amount will be refunded, or further demands made on the Grand Lodge.

An inquiry was made of the Grand Master, by Cross Creek Lodge, No. 4, whether, in the election of Officers, Lodges were required to elect from those nominated the first evening, or would an election be valid of a member not nominated till the evening of election. I gave the opinion that the election would be valid, though the member so elected should not have been nominated till the evening of the election; and that there was nothing in the By-Laws of the Grand or Subordinate Lodges to the contrary. Whether that opionion was deemed correct or satisfactory, I am not advised; and would recommend the Grand Lodge to settle the question definitely.

I received the following communication from Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, which I submit for yor consideration:

CAPE FEAR LODGE, No. 2, Nov'r 24, 1844.

"We, the undersigned Committee of Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, are directed to make the inquiry of the Grand Lodge,—what kind of Regalia, if any, should be worn at Funerals of Brethren?

T. BURR.
J. C. WOOD.
M. LONDON."

Although the progress of Odd Fellowship has not been distinguished by that extraordinary increase, within the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, which has marked its course in other States, yet in no part of our wide extended country are its benign precepts and principles more warmly cherished, nor does it any where exercise a more healthful moral influence, not only among its members, but in the communities where it has taken hold, than it does in the Old North State.

After discharging the duties required of us by the principles of our Order, there is none which has a higher claim to our attention than the promotion of Education, by establishing good Schools, for which purpose the organization of our Society peculiarly fits it; a subject, with the importance of which this Grand Lodge, at its last Communication, was so fully impressed that it passed resolutions recommending the Lodges under its jurisdiction to establish Schools after the model of the Prussian School established by Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2. The Subordinate Lodges, with praiseworthy zeal, endeavored to carry the views of the Grand Lodge into effect, but have been unable to do so, because of the great difficulty, or rather impossibility, of procuring English Teachers who thoroughly understand the principles and system of instructing in the Schools of Prussia,—a system, the best, *beyond comparison*, yet adopted in our country to impart, at a *cheap rate, a thorough and practical education.* As the Subordinate Lodges, in their efforts to carry into effect the recommendation of the Grand Lodge, have encountered, to them, an insurmountable difficulty, the Grand Lodge seems called on to come to their aid. With a view of doing so, I would respectfully recommend for your consideration, the expediency of opening a correspondence with other State Grand Lodges, for the purpose of raising a fund, if necessary, to defray the expenses of sending some suitable and competent persons to examine the Schools of Prussia, and if their system should be approved of, to thoroughly learn it, so as to establish a Gymnasium or Normal School, for the instruction of Teachers on that plan in this country. If this can be accomplished, although the process would be slow, it would in the end be sure to confer a lasting benefit, not only on our Order, but upon the cause of Education in our country.

On motion, the above Report was referred to a Select Committee, consisting of Reps. Newby, Harrell, and Love.

On motion, the resolution of D. G. M., James A. McRae,

offered at the last Annual Communication of this body, to amend Article 7th of General Laws, was taken up, and after some discussion, the Article was amended, so as to read:

"*Any Brother of the Scarlet Degree, in good standing, shall be eligible to any office in the Subordinte Lodges, provided he has been a contributing member six months.*"

The following Resolution offered by Rep. Andrews at the last Annual Communication, to wit:

Resolved, That Art. 11th, Sec. 2d, be so amended as to read, a sum *not exceeding* 10 per cent.

was taken up, and on motion of Rep. Newby, it was put upon its passage and the vote taken by Lodges, with the following result:

YEA.—Cross Creek Lodge, No. 4.

NAYS.—Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2,
" Washington, " " 3,
" Thaddeus, " " 5.

Grand Representative Alex. McRae made a verbal Report of the acts and doings of the Grand Lodge of the United States at its last Annual Communication, and tendered a copy of their Proceedings; when

On motion, the Report was received, and the copy of Proceedings referred to the Committee of Correspondence.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Lodge are due, and are hereby tendered, to P. G., Alex. McRae, for the zeal and ability with which he discharged the duties of Representative in the Grand Lodge of the United States, at its last Annual Communication.

The following case of Appeal from Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, was read, and on motion of Rep. Alex. McRae, was made the order of the day for 12 o'clock to-morrow:

CAPE FEAR LODGE, No. 2, I. O. O. F., May 6, 1845.

P. G., Alex'r McRae, on behalf of G. W. Hardcastle, appeals from the decision of Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, to the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina, under the following circumstances, viz:

About September 1843, G. W. Hardcastle, then a member in good standing of Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, applied in open Lodge for a Withdrawal Card, intending to leave the State, which was granted; but by mistake a Visiting Card was given him. Subsequently to his leaving the State, statements were made prejudicial to his character and standing as an Odd Fellow, and on appli-

cation being made (April 15, 1845,) to have the mistake corrected and a Withdrawal instead of a Visiting Card furnished him, the application was rejected.

From which decision, P. G., Alex'r McRae took an appeal to the Grand Lodge, on the grounds the Lodge had no right to reverse their former vote on charges subsequently brought against a member whose circumstance and absence in a distant State precluded the possibility of defending himself against such charges; and that the rejection of his application, under the circumstances would be equivalent to an expulsion from the Order without a hearing contrary to the By Laws of the Grand and Subordinate Lodges.

JAMES McGARY, *Sec'y.*

On motion, the Grand Lodge proceeded to receive nominations for Officers for the ensuing year, when

Rep. Newby nominated P. G., Wm. E. Anderson, of Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, for Grand Master; and P. G., Thomas nominated P. G., Rev. A. Paul Repiton, of the same Lodge, for the same office.

P. G., Andrews nominated Rep. James A. Harrell, of Washington Lodge, No. 3, for Deputy Grand Master.

P. G., Thomas nominated P.G., Thomas H. Howey, of Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, for Grand Secretary; and P. G., Howey nominated P. G., J. B. Newby, of Cross Creek Lodge, No. 4, for the same office.

P. G., Wallace nominated P. G., Junius D. Gardner, of Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, for Grand Treasurer.

P. G., McRae nominated P. G., Thaddeus D. Love, of Thaddeus Lodge, No. 5, for Grand Warden.

P. G., Howey nominated P. G., Rev. B. L. Hoskins, of Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, for Grand Chaplain.

P. G., Newby nominated P. G., Warren Winslow, of Cross Creek Lodge, No. 4, for Grand Representative; and P. G., Harrell nominated P. G. M., R. H. Worthington, of Washington Lodge, No. 3, for the same office.

On motion, the Grand Lodge adjourned until to-morrow morning, 10 o'clock.

Wednesday, May 14.

The Grand Lodge met according to adjournment.

PRESENT.

John McRae, Sr.,	*M. W. G. Master.*
S. D. Wallace,	*Grand Secretary*, pro tem.,
Junius D. Gardner,	*R. W. G. Treasurer.*
Robt. Thomas,	*R. W. G. Warden.*
Alexander McRae,	*R. W. G. Representative.*
Thomas H. Howey,	*W. Grand Guardian.*

and the following Representatives,

W. S. G. Andrews, John McRae, Jr., J. A. Harrell, T. D. Love, J. D. Love, H. Burr, and J. B, Newby.

The Committee of Correspondence submitted the following Report:

The Committee of Correspondence respectfully report, that they have examined the Proceedings of the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States, and find nothing therein requiring the action of this body.

(Signed,) ROBT. THOMAS, *Chairman.*

On motion, the above Report was received and ordered on file.

The Committee of Accounts submitted their Report, which was, on motion, received and ordered on file.

The Executive Committee submitted the following:

The Executive Committee respectfully report, that no business has, thus far, been brought before them. They cannot let this opportunity pass, however, without congratulating the Grand Lodge on the harmony which prevails in the Subordinate Lodges, as evidenced by the fact that no grievance of any kind has been brought before your Committee; thus affording well grounded assurances, that the members of the Subordinate Lodges, in their dealings with each other, are governed by the cardinal principles of our Order, "Friendship, Love, and Truth."

(Signed,) ALEX'R McRAE, *Chairman.*

The Appeal case from Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, was called up, and after being read, was referred to a Select Committee, consisting of Representatives J. A. Harrell J. B. Newby, and T. H. Howey.

The Select Committee on the Report of the M. W. Grand Master submitted the following Report:

The Select Committee appointed to take into consideration such portions of the Report of the M. W. Grand Master as may require the action of this body, respectfully beg leave to report: That in regard to the nomination of Candidates for office in the Subordinate Lodges, they think that the nomination of a candidate on the night of election would constitute no just ground of objection to his discharging the duties of the office, should he be elected thereto.

In regard to Regalia to be worn on Funeral occasions, the Committee think that a plain black Collar and Apron, trimmed with white, to be made of very cheap material, would be most proper, to be worn by every member of the Lodge.

The suggestion of the M. W. Grand Master, in regard to the establishment of a School or Gymnasium for the education of Teachers upon the Prussian plan, the Committee think good; and recommend that the R. W. Grand Secretary be requested to open a correspondence with the Grand Secretaries of the various Grand Lodges in the United States, with the view of bringing the subject before their respective bodies at as early a period as practicable; and that he report the result of such correspondence at our next Annual Communication.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Signed,) J. B. NEWBY, *Chairman.*

On motion, the above Report was received and laid on the table.

On motion of Rep. Love, it was

Resolved, That a Dispensation be granted to Thaddeus Lodge, No. 5, allowing it to make Reports semi-annually instead of Quarterly.

On motion, adjourned to 2 o'clock, P. M.

2 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Grand Lodge met according to adjournment.

PRESENT:

JOHN MCRAE, Sr.,	*M. W. Grand Master,*
STEPHEN D. WALLCE,	*R. W. G. Secretary,* pro tem,
J. D. GARDNER,	*R. W. G. Treasurer.*
ROBT. THOMAS,	*R. W. G. Warden.*
ALEX. MCRAE,	*R. W. G. Representative,*
THOS. H. HOWEY,	*W. G. Guardian.*

Reps. Andrews, Burr, John McRae, Jr., Harrell, T. D. Love, J. D. Love, and Newby.

The Committee on the case of Appeal from Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, submitted the following Report:

The Committee on the case of Appeal have had the same under consideration, and are of opinion that the ground of objection taken in the Appeal is correct; and recommend that Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, be ordered to grant a Withdrawal Card to Bro. G. W. Hardcastle.

(Signed,) JAMES A. HARRELL, *Chairman.*

The Report being read, P. G. Andrews offered the following amendment: "*Provided his moral character be good.*"—The vote being taken, the amendment was lost.

He then introduced this amendment:

"*That inasmuch as Bro. G. W. Hardcastle was a member in good standing of Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, at the time he drew his Visiting Card, he must now be considered a member of the same, provided he has complied with the rules and regulations established for the government of Brothers who wish to visit distant Lodges.*"

After some discussion, the vote was taken on this amendment, and it was also lost.

The main question, "Shall the Report of the Committee be adopted?" was then put, and decided in the affirmative.

P. G., John McRae, Jr., offered the following resolution, which was rejected:

Resolved, That the Secretary be requested to endorse on the Card which this Grand Lodge has ordered Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, to grant to Bro. G. W. Hardcastle, that the Card is granted by order of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina.

The Report of the Select Committee on the Report of the M. W. Grand Master was taken up, and P. G., Wallace introduced the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Report be re-committed to the Committee with instructions to strike out that part relating to Funeral Regalia, and insert the following: "In regard to Regalia to be worn on Funeral occasions, the Committee think it had better be left to the Subordinate Lodges to adopt such regulations in the premises as they may think best."

The Report of the Committee, in its amended form, was received and ordered on file.

P. G., Howey introduced the following resolution, which was rejected:

Resolved, That the Subordinate Lodges be required to have their Reports in the hands of the Grand Secretary at least one month before each Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge.

On motion, the Grand Lodge resolved to go into the elec-

tion of officers for the ensuing year, when Rep. Newby withdrew the nomination of P. G., Wm. E. Anderson, and substituted the name of G. Rep. Alex. McRae; and Rep. Wallace nominated P. G., John McRae, Jr., of Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, for Grand Secretary.

The ballotings were then had, and the following officers were declared elected for the ensuing year:

ALEX. McRAE, of No. 2, *M. W. Grand Master,*
JAMES A. HARRELL, " 3, *R. W. D. G. Master,*
J. B. NEWBY, " 4, *R. W. G. Secretary,*
J. D. GARDNER, " 2, *R. W. G. Treasurer,*
THAD. D. LOVE, " 5, *R. W. G. Warden,*
Rev. B. L. HOSKINS, " 2, *R. W. G. Chaplain,*
R. H. WORTHINGTON, " 3, *R. W. G. Representative,*

The officers were then Installed according to ancient usage, and immediately entered on the discharge of their various duties.

The Grand Master then made the following appointments:

JOHN McRAE, of No. 4, *W. Grand Guardian.*
F. M. CAPEHART, " 3, *W. Grand Conductor.*

Rep. Newby offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That our thanks are due, and are hereby tendered, to our M. W. P. G. M., John McRae, Sr., for his untiring zeal in the cause of Odd Fellowship, and the ability with which he has presided over the sittings of this body.

Rep. Andrews offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the R. W. Grand Treasurer be authorized to invest in Stock of the Bank of Cape Fear, or Bank of the State, such surplus funds belonging to this Grand Lodge as he may from time to time deem necessary.

On motion of Rep. Harrell,

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be authorized to have blank Forms of Reports printed for the use of the Subordinate Lodges.

On motion of Rep. Harrell, it was

Resolved, That our Representative to the Grand Lodge of the United States be instructed to vote for a Revision of the Work of the Order.

Rep. Robert Thomas offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed to prepare the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge for publication.

The resolution was adopted, and P. G. W., Robt. Thomas, P. G. M., John McRae, Sr., and P. G., Wallace, were appointed said Committee.

No other business appearing, after prayer by P. G., Rev. A. Paul Repiton, the Grand Lodge was closed in order and harmony.

J. B. NEWBY, *Grand Secretary.*

EXPLANATION.

In publishing the Proceedings for the past year, the Grand Secretary deems it proper to state (by way of apology for their meagre appearance, and their late day of publication,) that owing to the Fire, in this Town on the 13th of June last, all the printed copies and manuscript Proceedings, together with all the Reports, &c., connected with the last Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, were totally destroyed. Not a sheet was saved. He immediately after sat down and wrote out the Proceedings from memory, in which imperfect state they are now presented to the Order,—he being only able to procure a copy of the G. M.'s Report, and the Appeal from Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2. Much valuable statistical information is therefore lost. The Proceedings are, however, as perfect as, under the circumstances, it is possible to make them.

FAYETTEVILLE, November, 20, 1845.

ANNUAL REPORT

Of the R. W. Grand Lodge of the State of North Carolina, I. O. O. F., to the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States, commencing 1st April 1844, and ending 31st March 1845.

The R. W. G. Lodge of N. C. is composed of 29 *Members, and has under its jurisdiction* 4 *Working Lodges.*

LODGES.	Number.	Where held.	County.	Time of Meeting.	Initiations.	Rejections.	Admitted by Card.	Withd'n by Card.	Reinstateme's	Suspensions.	Expulsions.	Deaths.	Past Grands.	No. of Contributing Mem's.	Revenue.	REMARKS.
Cape Fear,	2	Wilmington.	New Hanover.	Tuesday.	39	7	3	2	...	...	*2	2	13	153	$1374 94	
Washington,	3	Murfreesborough.	Hertford.	.....	9	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	7	52	233 80	
Cross Creek,	4	Fayetteville.	Cumberland.	Friday.	30	4	1	2	...	1	1	...	6	100	853 90	
Thaddeus,	5	Warsaw.	Duplin.	Saturd'y.	8	1	1	1	1	1	...	...	3	19	128 00	
					86	12	6	7	1	2	3	2	29	324	$2590 64	$259 06 Revenue of Grand Lodge.

*Expelled for non payment of dues.

In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands, and the Seal of the Grand Lodge of the State of North Carolina, this 15th day of May, 1845.

ALEX'R McRAE, *G. M.*
J. B. NEWBY, *G. S.*

ANNUAL REPORT

Of Relief of Subordinate Lodges under the Jurisdiction of the R. W. Grand Lodge of the State of North Carolina, (I. O. O. F.,) showing the Relief in the year commencing 1st April, 1844, and ending 31st March, 1845.

LODGES.	Number.	No. of Brothers Relieved.	No. of Widowed Families relieved.	No. of Brothers Buried.	Amount paid for Relief of Brothers.	Amount paid for Relief of Widowed Families.	Amount paid for Education of Orphans.	Am't p'd for Burying Dead.	Total Amount.	REMARKS.
Cape Fear,	2	16	4	2	$239 50	$100 00	$35 25	$40 00	$414 75	
Washington,	3	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -	No Returns of Amount of Relief.
Cross Creek,	4	2	- - -	- - -	25 00	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -	25 00	
Thaddeus,	5	1	- - -	- - -	13 72	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -	13 72	
		19	4	2	$278 22	$100 00	$35 25	$40 00	$453 47	

In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands, and the Seal of the Grand Lodge of the State of North Carolina, this 15th day of May, 1845.

ALEX'R McRAE, *G M.*

J. B. NEWBY, *G. S.*

INDEPENDENT ORDER OF ODD FELLOWS.

FRIENDSHIP, LOVE AND TRUTH.

ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

OF THE

RIGHT WORTHY GRAND LODGE

OF THE

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Held at Wilmington, May, 1846.

WILMINGTON, *Tuesday,* May 12, 1846.

The R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina assembled at 11 o'clock this day in the Hall of Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, when the following Officers were found to be present:

ALEXANDER MCRAE,	*M. W. Grand Master.*
J. B. NEWBY,	*R. W. Grand Secretary.*
JUNIUS D. GARDNER,	*R. W. Grand Treasurer.*
THADDEUS D. LOVE,	*R. W. Grand Warden.*
REV. B. L. HOSKINS,	*R. W. Grand Chaplain.*

And Past Grands Rev. A. P. Repiton, J. Ballard, Thomas H. Howey, W. O. Jeffreys, and Robert Thomas, of Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2.

The following Representatives and Past Grands appeared, and their credentials having been examined and found correct, they were declared entitled to seats, viz:

Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2,	P. G., Alfred Bryant,
" " " " "	P. G., David Cashwell.
Washington " " 3,	P. G., Wm. H. Banks, Rep

Thaddeus " " 5, P. G., O. L. Fillyaw, Rep.
Eureka " " 7, P. G., Israel Disosway, Rep.

Opened with prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

The Grand Master then appointed the following Standing Committees, viz:

Committee of Conference.—Past Grands, Repiton, Thomas and Ballard.

On Accounts.—Past Grands, Bryant, Banks and Jeffreys.

Executive Committee.—Past Grands, Disosway, Fillyaw and Howey.

On Correspondence.—Past Grands, J. D. Love, Cashwell and Wood.

The Grand Master then made his Annual Roport, as follows:

Brethren: Since our last Annual Meeting, Dispensations have been granted to open "Neuse Lodge, No. 6," at Waynesborough; "Eureka Lodge No. 7," at Newbern; and "Manteo Lodge, No. 8," in the City of Raleigh.—These Lodges have been opened and are doing well. I respectfully recommend that Charters be granted to them.

Owing to the inability of our Representative to the Grand Lodge of the United States, P. G. M., R. H. Worthington, to attend the meeting of that body, I deemed it advisable to attend the Extra Session as your Representative, but did not attend the Regular Session, as my commission as Representative expired at the close of the Extra Session. There is no provision made in our Constitution for supplying vacancies in our Representation. I would therefore suggest the propriety of your making some such provisions, as it is at all times important that our Grand Lodge should be represented in the Grand Lodge of the United States.

To insure a more regular attendance of the Officers of this Grand Lodge at its meetings, I would respectfully recommend that their necessary expenses while in attendance upon the Grand Lodge, together with their expenses in travelling to and from the meetings, be paid by the Grand Lodge.

I would also take the liberty of recommending to you the propriety of making some provision for paying the expenses of such Officer as may be charged with opening new Lodges. At present, it is expected that the new Lodge shall pay such expense; this provision is unequal, because in places situated remote from the residence of the Grand or Deputy Grand Master, the cost of opening a Lodge will of course be more than in places near, as travelling expenses will be greater. I think it would be better that the Grand Lodge should pay such expenses, because when added to the

cost of a Dispensation and necessary furniture, it becomes a heavy tax upon a few individuals.

The Revised Work has been distributed to the Lodges under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge. Is it intended that they shall pay for them?

In looking over the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of South Carolina, I see that they complain that Cross Creek Lodge has Initiated persons from their State, and recommend that our Grand Lodge should be notified thereof. It is submitted, that you may define the proper jurisdiction of the Lodges in this State. We should not interfere with the proper jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of a sister State, nor Inititate persons from other States, except it be by Special Dispensation from the proper Officers of the Lodges in such States.

During the year I was required by the Grand Corresponding Secretary of the Grand Lodge of the United States to furnish a list of the Lodges in in this State, the date of their institution, where held, &c. And although the Order is young in our State, I found it difficult to collect the information required, there being no record on our Minutes from which to obtain it. I would recommend, therefore, that the Numbers, dates of opening, where held, evenings of meeting of the Lodges in this State, and such other statistical information as you may deem necessary, be spread upon our minutes and published with our Proceedings.

On the —— of August last, I enclosed Twenty Dollars by mail to Bro. James L. Ridgely, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of the United States, the amount of Our Dues. The same was not received by him. I made every possible inquiry, and was seconded in my efforts to recover the sum by our Postmaster, but all to no purpose, as we could obtain no trace of the money lost.

At your last meeting, the Grand Master directed your attention to the establishment of a general system of Education: a resolution was passed directing the Grand Secretary to open a Correspondence with the various Grand Lodges in our country on the subject. This duty was performed by him, but we hear of no action taken by any of them.

Brother Ridgely has written several able Communications on this interesting subject, which were published in the Independent Odd Fellow. He recommends the establishment of a College, to be supported by the Order throughout the country. Whether this plan would be better than the one recommended by your former Grand Master, the establishment of Normal Schools, I leave for you to decide. I think that it is probable the subject will be brought up before the Grand Lodge of the United States at its next Session;—it might therefore be well for your Representative to the Grand Lodge to be put in possession of your views.

A letter from Brother W. S. Parker, of Weldon Lodge, dated at Hernando, Miss., March 5, 1846, requesting this Grand Lodge to write him, authorising the Lodge or Lodges West to give him the Yearly P. W., has

been received. I doubt the right of this Grand Lodge to comply with his request, as it is contrary to the laws of the Grand Lodge of the United States to grant Cards for any longer time than twelve months. The letter is herewith submitted for your consideration, marked A.

A letter from Brother Geo. A. D. Clark, asking for statistical information about the Order, in our State, has been received, and owing to the difficulty of collecting such information, the letter has not yet been answered. It is herewith referred to you,—marked B. His object in seeking the information, is to enable him to publish a History of the Order.

I cannot conclude without adverting to the prosperous condition of our beloved Order, not only in this State but throughout our country generally. It is truly gratifying to see so many engaged in the noble effort to ameliorate the condition of the distressed of the human family. It is a noble work and well worthy the attention of every philanthropist. Whilst our object is pure and our works good, we must prosper.

I take pleasure in stating, that in my intercourse with the members of the Lodges of our State, I have as your Executive Officer received every attention. And here permit me to record my thanks to the kind hearted Brethren of Newbern, for their hospitality and kindness while on my visit to their beautiful Town. Long may they continue in health and prosperity, and may their Lodge go on in usefulness as they have begun.

Respectfully submittted in F. L. and T.

ALEX'R McRAE, *G. M.*

On motion of Rep. Jeffreys, the above Report was disposed of as follows:

That part relating to the granting of Charters, filling vacancies, and the School system, was referred to a Committee, consisting of Reps. Repiton, Bryant, and Disosway.

That part relative to paying the expenses of the Grand Officers, of the Installing Officers, the Revised Work, and the loss of money by mail, to Reps. Howey, Bryant, and Cashwell.

Relative to the Jurisdiction of Lodges in South Carolina, and the Form of Record of Lodges, to Reps. Repiton, Jeffreys, and Disosway.

On the application for Password, and information generally, to Reps. Banks, Fillyaw, and Thomas.

On motion of Rep. Thomas, the Grand Lodge adjourned until 4 o'clock, P. M.

4 o'clock, p. m.

The Grand Lodge met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT.

Alexander McRae,	*M. W. G. Master.*
J. B. Newby,	*R. W. Grand Secretary.*
Junius D. Gardner,	*R. W. Grand Treasurer.*
T. D. Love,	*R. W. Grand Warden.*
Rev. B. L. Hoskins,	*R. W. Grand Chaplain.*

Reps., Bryant, Jeffreys, Cashwell, Repiton, Ballard, Banks, Fillyaw, and Disosway.

Opened with prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

Past Grands, Wm. E. Anderson and John C. Wood, of Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2; Daniel Cogdell, Representative from Neuse Lodge, No. 6; J. Cicero Justice, of Eureka Lodge, No. 7; and Edward Yarborough, Representative from Manteo Lodge, No. 8; appeared, and were declared entitled to seats.

Committees were called on for Reports, and the Committee on the application for Password submitted the following, which was received and adopted, viz:

The Committee to whom was referred the application of William S. Parker, to request Memphis Lodge to instruct him in the Travelling P. W. for 1845 and 1846, beg leave to report: That they have examined his letter and obtained all the information within their reach, and that it clearly appears to them that said Wm. S. Parker is not at this time a member of any Lodge, and not an Odd Fellow, therefore not entitled to receive the P. W.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. H. BANKS, *Chairman.*

The other Committees asked further time, which was granted.

The Grand Master appointed the following Committee to take charge of any unfinished business remaining at last Session viz: Reps., Justice, Yarborough, and Cogdell.

On motion the Grand Lodge adjourned until 8 o'clock tomorrow morning.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, *May* 13.

The Grand Lodge met according to adjournment.

PRESENT:

ALEXANDER MCRAE,	*M. W. Grand Master,*
J. B. NEWBY,	*R. W. Grand Secretary,*
J. D. GARDNER,	*R. W. Grand Treasurer,*
T. D. LOVE,	*R. W. Grand Warden.*

Reps., J. D. Love, Wood, Cashwell, Repition, Fillyaw, Disosway, Yarborough, Banks, Cogdell, Justice, and Ballard.

Opened with prayer.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The Committee of the Revised Work, &c., submitted a Report, which was, on motion, referred back to the Committee for further action on the subject.

An invitation was received from Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, to join in procession with them in celebrating their 4th Anniversary, which was accepted, and the Grand Lodge thereupon, on motion, adjourned until 3 o'clock, P. M.

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3 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Grand Lodge met according to adjournment.

PRESENT:

ALEXANDER MCRAE,	*M. W. Grand Master,*
J. B. NEWBY,	*R. W. Grand Secretary,*
THADDEUS D. LOVE,	*R. W. Grand Warden.*

Reps., Ballard, Anderson, Justice, Cashwell, Wood, Yarborough, Cogdell, Banks, Repiton, Disosway, Brayant, Fillyaw, Howey, and John McRae, Jr.

The Grand Lodge was duly opened.

P. G., T. L. Guess, of Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, appeared, was qualified and took his seat.

The Committees being called on for Reports, the Select Committee on that part of the Report of the M. W. Grand Master relating to the granting of Charters, &c., submitted

their Report, which was received, and after some discussion on that part relating to Schools, the Grand Lodge, on motion of Rep. Anderson, went into Committee of the Whole, Rep. Howey in the Chair.

The subject was then debated in Committee of the Whole, the Report adopted, and Committee rose and reported the same to the Grand Lodge, which immediately adopted the Report, as follows:

Your Committee, to whom was referred that part of the Grand Master's Report, relating to the granting of Charters to Neuse, Eureka, and Manteo Lodges, within the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, would report: That we concur in the recommendation of the Grand Master, and therefore sanction that part of his report.

2nd. On the subject of filling vacancies to the Grand Lodge of the United States, we would suggest, in addition to a Representative, the appointment of an Alternate, and in case of failure on the part of the Delegate and Alternate to represent this Grand Lodge, that the Grand Master be, and is hereby empowered to select a suitable individual to attend to this duty. By adopted this plan, your Committee feel assured that a representation would be secured.

Resolved, That the suggestion be adopted.

3rd. SCHOOL SYSTEM. We are at a loss to determine here what to recommend, but from all we can gather would suggest, that in view of the infantile state of the Order within the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, we are incapable of sustaining a College; and could we do so still we think it would be far more in accordance with the principles of Odd Fellowship to afford the means of a good Common School Education to a large number of youth, than to give a Collegiate one to a few individuals. We say a few, because we see not where the funds are to come from to advance a number in this particular. Your Committee would therefore conclude this Report by recommending the Normal System of Education as suggested by P. G. M., John McRae, Sen., and in order to the accomplishment of this great object, your Committee would offer the following Resolution:

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be instructed to address a communication to Horace Mann, Esq. of Boston, Mass., he having made this subject the object of a mission to Prussia, and while there no doubt obtained all possible information with respect to their system of teaching, and the principles upon which are based the Normal Schools of that Nation.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. PAUL REPITON, *Chairman*.

The Select Committee to whom was referred that part of the Report of the M. W. Grand Master, relating to paying the

expenses of the Grand Officers, &c., submitted their Report, which was received, amended, and adopted, as follows, viz:

The Committee to whom was referred the matter embodied in the M. W. G. M's Annual Communication relative to paying the expenses of the Officers of the Grand Lodge, the expenses of Installing Officers, the Revised Work, and money lost by mail, would respectfully submit the result of their deliberations, and recommend the adoption of the following:

Resolved, That the Officers of this Grand Lodge receive from her funds the amount of their travelling and incidental expenses whilst engaged in attendance on the Grand Lodge.

Resolved, That in all cases of application for the establishment of new Lodges within the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, the travelling expenses of the Installing Officer shall be paid by the Grand Lodge.

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge furnish all her Subordinates with the Revised Work of the Order free of charge.

Resolved, further, That the money lost in transmitting the Dues to the Grand Lodge of the United States be sent a second time from the funds of this Grand Lodge.

Respectfully submitted.

D. CASHWELL, *Chairman.*

The Committee of Finance presented their Report, which was received and adopted, as follows:

The Committee of Finance beg leave to report, that the Treasurer has rendered his Accounts for the last year, by which they see that he had on hand at the commencement of the current year, - - $329 18
And that he has received since that time, - - - 233 07

$560 25

And that he paid out at sundry times, for which he has exhibited to your Committee proper vouchers, the sum of - $153 60
Leaving in his hands at the commencement of the current year, - - - - - - - - - - $406 65

Not having the books of the Treasurer, we are unable to say what sums he received since the commencement of the present term, but from the Reports of the various Lodges we find there is due by

Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, - - - -	$112 00
Washington Lodge, No. 3, - - - -	23 00
Cross Creek Lodge, No. 4, - - - -	84 85
Thaddeus Lodge, No. 5, - - - -	16 76
Neuse Lodge, No. 6, - - - - -	23 32
Eureka Lodge, No. 7, - - - - -	149 50
Manteo Lodge, No. 8, - - - - -	26 96
	$436 39

They find the Reports from the various Lodges correct, with the exception that those of Cross Creek, Neuse and Eureka have no seal of their

Lodge attached, and that Neuse has not rendered a list of names of members, neither are her Reports signed by the V. G.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ALFRED BRYANT, *Chairman.*

The Committee on unfinished business submitted the following Report, which was received and adopted, viz:

The Committee on unfinished business beg leave to report, that they have examined the proceedings of the last Annual Communication, and find no unfinished business for the action of the Grand Lodge.

Respectfully submitted.

J. CICERO JUSTICE, *Chairman.*

Rep. Justice introduced the following Resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Grand Lodge that the fund set apart by the several Subordinate Lodges for the benefit of the Widows and Orphans of deceased Brothers, and also the Orphan School Fund, is not subject to the tax of 10 per cent, to the Grand Lodge.

Rep. Repiton submitted the following Resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the expenses of our Representative to the Extra Session of the Grand Lodge of the United States, be paid by this Grand Lodge.

The following Resolutions were submitted by Rep. Repiton, and laid over for twelve months, under the rule:

Resolved, That according to the Constitution and By-Laws of this body, each and every P. G., of the Subordinate Lodges is made an irregular constituent member of this Grand Lodge.

Resolved, That as this clause of the Constitution has not been well understood by the Subordinate Lodges, and difficulty having arisen from irregular representation, this Grand Lodge do enjoin on the Subordinate Lodges to send one of their Past Grands as regular or special Representative, (such Past Grand not being an Officer of the Grand Lodge,) and he to give the vote when taken by Lodges.

Rep. Disosway submitted the following, which was adopted:

WHEREAS, it is desirable that uniformity should be observed in regard to Regalia worn by Past Grands:

Resolved, That the proper Regalia to be worn by Past Grands shall consist of a Scarlet Apron, Collar, Sash, and Cap, trimmed or decorated with white.

Rep. Bryant submitted the following, which was laid over for one year:

Resolved, That the amendment of the 7th Article of the General Laws, which reads:—"*Any Brother of the Scarlet Degree, in good standing, shall be eligible to any office in the Subordinate Lodges, provided he has been a contributing member six months.*" be, and the same is hereby rescinded.

Rep. Wood offered the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That each Subordinate Lodge be required to retain duplicate copies of their Reports to this Grand Lodge.

An account in favor of Campbell Encampment, No. 1, for $20, was presented and ordered to be paid.

Ordered that $20 be refunded to Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, which sum was advanced by her to the widow of a late member of this Grand Lodge.

The following Resolution was offered by Rep. Banks, and adopted:

Resolved, That a Dispensation be granted to Washington Lodge, No. 3, allowing it to reduce the amount of its weekly benefits to such sum as may be deemed advisable.

Rep. Wood offered the following, which was rejected:

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge pay $5 to Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, which amount she paid her Secretary for making a second Return to this Grand Lodge.

Rep. Fillyaw offered the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That permission be granted to change the location of Thaddeus Lodge, from Warsaw to Clinton.

Rep. Cashwell offered the following, which was laid over for twelve months:

Resolved, That all Subordinate Lodges within the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge be, and they are hereby fully authorised, to adopt laws and regulations for their government in the levying of Dues, the amount of Benefits, and attendance on sick or distressed Brethren, as shall be deemed by them most judicious.

The Grand Lodge took a recess of ten minutes, preparatory to receiving nominations for Officers.

On being called to order, the following nominations were made:

For Grand Master.—Rep. Ballard nominated P. G., Disosway; Rep. Disosway nominated P. G., Anderson; Rep. Fillyaw nominated P. G., Ballard; and Rep. Bryant nominated P. G., Repiton.

For Deputy Grand Master.—Rep. Fillyaw nominated P. G., Yarborough; Rep. Disosway nominated P. G., Howey; and Rep. Yarborough nominated P. G., Wood.

For Grand Secretary.—Rep. Fillyaw nominated P. G., Newby; and Rep. Ballard nominated P. G., John McRae, Jr.

For Grand Treasurer.—Rep. Disosway nominated P. G., Gardner; and Rep. Fillyaw nominated P. G., Cashwell.

For Grand Warden.—Rep. Bryant nominated P. G., Howey; and Rep. Repiton nominated P. G., Justice.

For Grand Chaplain.—Rep. Fillyaw nominated P. G., Repiton; and Rep. Howey nominated P. G., Hoskins.

For Grand Representative.—Rep. Banks nominated G. M., Alex. McRae; Rep. Newby nominated P. G., Warren Winslow; and Rep. Repiton nominated P. G., Anderson.

Rep. Wood nominated P. G. M., John McRae, Sen., as *Alternate.*

On motion, the Grand Lodge adjourned until 8 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Thursday Morning, May 14.

The Grand Lodge met according to adjournment.

PRESENT:

Alexander McRae,	*M. W. G. Master,*
J. B. Newby,	*R. W. Grand Secretary,*
J. D. Gardner,	*R. W. Grand Treasurer,*
T. D. Love,	*R. W. Grand Warden.*

Reps., Ballard, Justice, Wood, Yarborough, Cogdell, Banks, Fillyaw, Disosway, Repiton, Cashwell, Bryant, and John McRae, Jr.

The Grand Lodge was duly opened.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The Executive Committee submitted their Report, which was received and adopted, as follows:

The Executive Committee beg leave respectfully to report, that no business has thus far presented itself for their consideration.

I. DISOSWAY, *Chairman.*

The Select Committee to whom was referred that part of the Grand Master's Report relative to the jurisdiction of Lodges in South Carolina, &c., submitted the following, which was received and adopted:

The Committee appointed to report upon that portion of the report of the M. W. Grand Master, relative to the jurisdiction of Lodges in South Carolina, and the Form of Record of Lodges, offer the following Report:

1st. JURISDICTIONS, &c.—We would say that it is inexpedient to receive applicants from other States for admission into our Subordinate Lodges, without a Dispensation from the Grand Lodge or Grand Master of the State from which such applicant may hail.

2d. FORM OF RECORD OF LODGES.—Your Committee would suggest the following Form:

Register ..... Lodge, No. ....., under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina.

Name.	No.	Where held.	Date of Opening.	By whom opened.	By what authority.	Time of Meeting.	Officers Installed.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. PAUL REPITON, *Chairman.*

Rep. Banks, offered the following Resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge instruct its Representative to the Grand Lodge of the United States, to present to that worthy body a resolution requiring that the most important business of that body, the Constitution and By-Laws, with the amendments thereto, be condensed in one volume, with an Index affixed to it.

On motion, the Grand Lodge proceeded to the election of Officers for the ensuing year, with the following result:

ISRAEL DISOSWAY, of	No. 7, *M. W. Grand Master.*
EDWARD YARBOROUGH, of	No. 8, *R. W. D. G. Master.*
J. B. NEWBY, of	No 4, *R. W. Grand Secretary.*
JUNIUS D. GARDNER, of	No. 2, *R. W. G. Treasurer.*
J. CICERO JUSTICE, of	No. 7, *R. W. G. Warden.*
REV. A. P. REPITON, of	No. 2, *R. W. G. Chaplain.*
ALEX'R MCRAE, of	No. 2, *R. W. G. Representative.*
JOHN MCRAE, Sr, of	No. 2, *Alternate.*

The following Resolution, offered by P. G., Repiton, was adopted:

Resolved, That a Steward be appointed for this Grand Lodge, whose duty it shall be to attend upon the Sittings of this Grand Lodge, see that the room is in order, and attend to such other duties as may be necessary. It shall be his duty to see that the members are furnished with Stationary, &c. during the Session;—for which service he shall receive from the Treasurer of this Grand Lodge the sum of three dollars per day, in addition to the bills for Stationary and servant hire.

Rep. Newby offered the following Resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Grand Master appoint a Committee of three, who shall each prepare, or cause to be prepared, a Form of Burial Service for the Subordinate Lodges, which said Forms shall be submitted to the Grand Master on or before the 1st day of

July next. And it shall be the duty of the Grand Master to make a selection from the Forms sent him, and cause a copy of the same to be furnished to each Subordinate Lodge, which said Form of Burial Service shall be used until the next Annual Communication, when more definite action may be taken in regard to the matter.

The following resolution was offered by Rep. J. C. Wood, and adopted:

Resolved, That the Regalia to be worn at Funerals shall be the full dress Regalia used in processions, with crape on the left arm.

The Committee of Correspondence submitted the following report, which was adopted:

The Committee of Correspondence most respectfully report that they have attentively examined the Proceedings of the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States, together with such other documentary matter as in their judgement came properly under their supervision, and find nothing requiring the action of this body.

Respectfully submitted.

D. CASHWELL, *Chairman.*

On motion, the Grand Lodge adjourned until 12 o'clock, for the purpose of visiting the Odd Fellows' School.

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12 o'clock, m.

The Grand Lodge met, and immediately adjourned until 3 o'clock, P. M.

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3 o'clock, p. m.

The Grand Lodge met according to adjournment.

PRESENT:

Alexander McRae,	*M. W. Grand Master,*
J. B. Newby,	*R. W. Grand Secretary,*
Junius D. Gardner,	*R. W. Grand Treasurer,*
T. D. Love,	*R. W. Grand Warden.*

P. G's. Yarborough, Disosway, Justice, Cogdell, Banks, Wood, Bryant, Howey, Cashwell, Repiton, Fillyaw and Ballard.

The Grand Lodge was duly opened.

The Minutes of this morning were read and approved.

On motion, the Grand Master proceeded to Install the Offi-

cers of the Grand Lodge for the ensuing year, who immediately entered upon the discharge of their several duties.

Rep. Repiton offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted :

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Lodge are due to its M. W. P. G. M. Alexander McRae, for the faithful and zealous discharge of his duties during the term of his service as Grand Master ; also for his services as Grand Representative to the Grand Lodge of the United States.

Rep. Cashwell offered the following, which was adopted :

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Lodge be tendered to our R. W. Grand Secretary, for the zeal with which he has discharged the duties of his office during the past year.

Rep. Banks offered the following, which was unanimously adopted :

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Lodge be tendered, through our M. W. P. G. M., Alex'r McRae, to the citizens of Wilmington, for their kind invitation to join in a Pleasure Excursion in one of the Line Boats to the Fishing Ground ; and that he express to them the regrets of this body that the pressing nature of business prevents their accepting such invitation.

Rep. Wood offered the following, which was adopted :

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be authorised to have 300 copies of the Proceedings of this Grand Lodge printed.

Rep. Fillyaw offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed by the Grand Master to superintend the printing of the Minutes of this body.

The Resolution was adopted, and Past Grand Masters John McRae, Sr., and Alexander McRae, and Rep. Newby, were appointed said Committee.

The Grand Master made the following appointments :

DANIEL COGDELL, of No. 6, *W. Grand Guardian.*
O. L. FILLYAW, of " 5, *W. Grand Conductor.*

The Committee of Conference.—Reps. Ballard, Jno. McRae, Jr., and T. D. Love.

On Correspondence.—Reps. Jeffreys, Cashwell, and Cogdell.

On Accounts.—Reps. Bryant, J. D. Love, and Archibald McLean.

Executive Committee.—Reps. Ballard, Howey, and Gardner.

He also appointed the following a Committee in relation to the Form of Burial Service, viz: P. G. M., Alex. McRae, and P. G's. Gardner and Repiton.

Bro. Richard Simpson, of Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, was appointed Steward.

No other business appearing, after prayer by P. G., A.Paul Repiton, the Grand Lodge was closed in "Friendship, Love and Truth."

J. B. NEWBY,
Grand Secretary.

LIST OF CONTRIBUTING MEMBERS,

Belonging to the Subordinate Lodges under the jurisdiction of the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina, up to the 1st April. 1846.

CAPE FEAR LODGE, NO. 2.

PAST GRANDS.

Alex. McRae, Sr.,	Rev. A. P. Repiton,	Rev. B. L. Hoskins,
John McRae, Sr.,	J. D. Gardner,	Wm. E. Anderson,
John McRae, Jr.,	Wm. O. Jeffreys,	John C. Wood,
Thos. H. Howey,	Jethro Ballard,	Timothy L. Guess,
W. S. G. Andrews,	David Cashwell,	Alfred Bryant.
Horace Burr,	S. D. Wallace,	

SCARLET DEGREE.

J. A. King,	Henry Nutt,	T. D. Barry,
Rich'd Simpson,	W. A. Walker,	T. L. Guess,
Thos. H. Howey,	Rev. Jas. Mahoney,	Wm. A. Burr,
Horace Burr,	H. M. Cowan,	James T. Miller,
Thos. F. King,	David Cashwell,	John Campbell,
Leve A. Hart,	M. London,	John Christian,
Rev. A. P. Repiton,	Wm. Shaw,	J. L. Keene,
J. D. Gardner,	S. D. Wallace,	Wm. C. Howard,
James Burch,	J. H. Millmore,	Samuel P. Gause,
Wm. O. Jeffreys,	T. J. Armstrong,	Hiram Nixon,
A. B. Rothwell,	D. McMillan,	Talcott Burr, Jr.,
John T. Russ,	Wm. Wilson,	N. N. Nixon,
John S. Dunham,	Thos. F. Gause,	B. F. Mitchell,
H. R. Perrin,	A. F. Newkirk,	Hiram B. Davis,
H. D. Gilbert,	G. F. Kelly,	Wm. L. Smith,
Andrew McLean,	Gilbert Potter, Jr.,	J. E. Bunting,
John McRae, Jr.,	Wm. G. Jones,	E. J. Lutterloh,
Wm. Ware,	Rev. B. L. Hoskins,	Alfred Bryant,
John McRae, Sr.,	A. B. Malloy,	L. Mallett,
A. A. Hartsfield,	Wm. A. Williams,	Joseph McLaurin,
Wm. Sutton,	Owen Fennel,	Rev. J. A. Shepherd,

David Jones,	Henry Baker,	Thos. J. Cotton,
R. H. Grant,	Wm. J. Love, Jr.,	Jas. L. Hathaway,
B. Sherman,	Wm. E. Anderson,	Thos. M. Gardner,
Jethro Ballard,	John C. Wood,	Joseph Lawton,
H. S. Haines,	Cyrus Packard,	Charles Grey,
J. W. Johnson,	James McGary,	Cornelius Myers,
F. Sullivan,	W. F. Daskam,	David Reid,
E. N. Atkins,	Benj. Bates,	John H. Dall,
S. P. Polly,	R. W. Price,	John C. Latta,
W. S. G. Andrews,	John P. Calder,	L. Meginney,
Job Tolman,	Wm. B. Jones,	Wm. Stringer,
Alex. McRae, Sr.,	George G. Lynch,	R. S. Thomas.

ROYAL BLUE.

James Perry,	S. W. Dunham,	Alex. McRae, Jr.,
W. S. Anderson,	Robert Taylor,	Duncan Furgison,
I. Peterson,	I. B. Sevy,	Lorenzo Baker,
I. B. Smith,	John Crone,	A. A. Brown.

COVENANT DEGREE.

D. A. Lamont,	Timothy Hatcher,	Wm. T. Newell,
John Craig,	Wm. D. Smith,	Cornelius Henry,
George Brown,	E. J. Bernard,	Wm. E. Hyde,
Hiram Polly,	John Nutt,	Benj. Price.
Jeremiah Nixon,	Wm. Huntington,	
Wm. F. Burch,	R. J. Jones,	

WHITE DEGREE.

A. F. Toon.

INITIATORY DEGREE.

A. G. Dowd,	H. L. Holmes,	Thos. W. Brown,
John Maxwell,	A. A. Warner,	Stewart Pipkin,
Alex. Lamont,	J. Devane,	E. W. Clark.

WASHINGTON LODGE, No. 3.

SCARLET DEGREE.

R. H. Worthington,	Andrew Vinson,	Benjamin Bryant,
Lewis F. Spires,	Daniel Valantine,	Samuel B. Pope,
Eli Carter,	James H. Laseter,	Lewis W. Pruden,

Henry G. Trader,	William H. Banks,	James A. Harrell,
Robert S. Parker,	Rev. Joseph Lear,	Rev. E. Harrison,
James W. Hill,	John P. Bridger,	Benjamin Barkley,
Thomas J. Deans,	Rev. Isaac Arnold,	William B. Harrell,
Benjamin A. Spires,	F. M. Capeheart,	John W. Hutchings.
Mathew Brewer,	R. R. Parker,	
Peter S. Williams,	Alexander Britt,	

ROYAL BLUE DEGREE.

John H. Jenkins,	Richard H. Barns,	Samuel Polkenhorn,
Jacob Barns,	James E. Dukes,	G. D. Parker,
James H. Barrett,	Seth D. Williams,	John Yates.
A. W. White,	Rich'd W. Bidgood,	

COVENANT DEGREE.

James H. Wood,	Henry L. Williams,	Henry A. Moore,
Henry H. Parker,	Joseph Britt,	Charles H. Holland,
Drury Vinson,	Richard G. Cowper,	Henry Fowler,
Watson L. Daniel,	John T. Griffith,	James A. Worrell.

WHITE DEGREE.

William J. Baker.

INITIATORY DEGREE.

John S. Mungen,	Wade H. Adkins.

CROSS CREEK LODGE, NO. 4.

PAST GRANDS.

Rev. E. McNair,	John Winslow,	Walter Draughon,
J. A. McRae,	Arch'd McLean,	John Shaw,
John McRae,	Warren Winslow,	Duncan G. McRae.
J. B. Newby,	A. A. T. Smith,	

SCARLET DEGREE.

B. F. Atkins,	Robert W. Hardie,	J. S. McDonald,
Amasa Alden,	Alex. Johnson,	Rev. C. Murchison,
Wm. J. Anderson,	Wm. S. Jessup,	Malcom McNeill,
Henry Branson,	Jonathan Jessup,	J. B. Newby,
Wm. W. Briggs,	Charles Lutterloh,	John L. Robinson,

David R. Bell,
James G. Cook,
Daniel Clark,
John D. Cameron,
John Crow,
Thos. N. Cameron,
Lewis F. Carr,
James Dodd,
Walter Draughon,
Dickson Evans,
James Foster,
Wm. T. Frizell,
C. T. Gardner,
Daniel Gilchrist,
Owen Houston,
R. W. Hardie,
Alex. Johnson,
C. Lutterloh,
Henry Lilly,
Rev. E. McNair,
James A. McRae,
John McRae,
Duncan G. McRae,
Roderick McRae,
Arch'd McLean,
Angus McKenzie,
John McLaurin,
A. A. McKethan,
Duncan McNeill,
N. K. McDuffie,
William Marsh,
Samuel A. Mims,
J. M. McDuffie,
W. S. Jessup,
Wm. C. Robinson,
John A. Rowland,
A. A. T. Smith,
Samuel G. Smith,
John Shaw,
O. P. Stark,
J. M. Stedman,
G. A. Schwarzman,
H. B. Sedberry,
John Smith,
S. W. Tillinghast,
Warren Winslow,
John Winslow,
John Waddill, Jr.,
N. Williamson.
Jon. Jessup,

REMEMBRANCE DEGREE.

Samuel A. Black,
Hector McNeill,
Wm. Mitchell,
George McMillan,
James Sunday.

ROYAL BLUE DEGREE.

John C. Blocker,
Daniel Culbreth,
A. M. Campbell,
J. H. Hawley,
Nathan King,
A. A. McDougald,
John McNeill,
Reese Morgan,
Duncan McLaurin,
W. McL. McKay,
D. T. Newby,
Charles D. Nixon,
David J. Taylor.

COVENANT DEGREE.

Wm. A. Banks,
C. H. Cofield,
Absalom Davis,
Wm. H. Hardin,
J. P. Hodges,
John Hartman,
John R. Little,
A. B. McFayden,
Wm. McMillan,
Neill McPherson,
Robert Melvin,
Hugh McPherson,
Robert Strange, Jr.,
C. F. Sussdorff,
Neill Smith,
Roderick Shaw,
Wm. Warden.

WHITE DEGREE.

James C. Dobbin,
Edwin Glover,
S. S. Gilchrist,
Benj. I. Houze,
D. B. Ham,
Wm. Hartman,
Amos Jessup,
George W. Melvin,
B. W. Smith,
Matthew Wilder.

INITIATORY DEGREE.

John Chalmers,	Thomas Johnson,	Alex. J. Troy,
Wm. A. Hayes,	Robert E. Troy,	G. F. Webster.

THADDEUS LODGE, No. 5.

PAST GRANDS.

Thaddeus D. Love,	John D. Love,	Owen L. Fillyaw,
Lewis S. Herring.		

SCARLET DEGREE.

Thaddeus D. Love,	Thos. J. Holland,	Andrew J. Hurst,
John D. Love,	George A. Dudley,	Samuel E. Johnson,
Owen L. Fillyaw,	Calton Hall,	William J. Parker,
Lewis S. Herring,	Amma B. Chesnut,	Greer Bishop.
E. H. Stevens,	Rev. L. Culbreth,	

ROYAL BLUE DEGREE.

D. J. Underwood,	Bryant Pennington,	John B. Wright.

COVENANT DEGREE.

Edwin T. Love,	W. A. Gwyer,	Thos. S. Seddon.
W. M. Sherwood,	W. P. Ketchand,	

WHITE DEGREE.

George W. Dyes.

EUREKA LODGE, NO. 7.

PAST GRANDS.

Israel Disosway,	J. Cicero Justice.	

SCARLET DEGREE.

Israel Disosway,	Sam'l Bishop,	Charles G. Fields,
James C. Justice,	John R. Justice,	R. W. Choate,
C. J. White,	John M. Oliver,	David W. Morse,
William Hay,	Thos. S. Howard,	Benj. F. Hanks,
J. J. H. Van Bokelen	Benj. M. Cook,	Alex. Miller,
Thomas C. Wallace,	J. J. Roberson,	Emet Cuthbert,
Joshua Denby,	Edward H. Hurt,	Matthew Matthews,
John C. Coart,	Thos. P. Ricaud,	L. B. Heritage,

E. John Huggins,	Ellsworth Hanks,	T. J. B. Schenck.
Sam'l L. Howland,	Wm. P. Moore,	James E. Morriss,
Rev. C. P. Jones,	David C. Cox,	Thos. Richardson,
George W. Taylor,	T. J. Hughes,	W. J. Sparrow,
Elijah Ferguson,	David W. Dudley,	Alex. C. Blount,
Ossian Hanks,	Sherman Bates,	Geo. H. Brown,
Sam'l W. Wallace,	John Blackwell,	Sam. W. Chadwick,
John Charlotte,	Thos. Woodley,	C. C. Rhodes,
Wm. H. Taylor,	C. F. Simpson,	John Rumley,
John W. Burnet,	Fred. Morse,	J. N. Washington,
Rev W. H. Schenck,	Willis Dewey,	John F. Hanff.
R. F. Green,	Jos. W. Baxter,	

COVENANT DEGREE.

G. F. Kornegay,	James Rodin,	O. W. Telfair,
Lewis Phelps,	Wm. H. Mayhew,	Wm. Ferrand,
Wm. Charlotte,	Fred. Dawson,	George J. Ward,
James Jones,	J. G. Mumford,	W. P. Pelletier,
Joseph Hartick,	L. H. Missillier,	John B. Lewis.

INITIATORY DEGREE.

J. Hutchinson,	Adonis Caruthers,	Sam'l R. Street,
Henry J. Lovick,	J. P. Wooten,	Thos. Green,
Alonzo J. Willis,	Henry Beaufort,	John Davis,
N. Cottingham,	Edgar Culbert,	D. W. Goslee,
E. Hackburn,	Wm. Roberson,	William Jones.

MANTEO LODGE, No. 8.

SCARLET DEGREE.

E. Yarborough,	W. L. Thayer,	J. Woltering,
W. D. Cooke,	C. Grimme,	J. F. Jordan,
J. J. Krause,	W. H. McKee,	W. W. Holden,
W. G. Kilkelly,	O. A. Buck,	J. H. Manly,
W. R. Scott,	C. B. Root,	R. P. Finch,
I. Proctor.		

REMEMBRANCE DEGREE.

W. H. Jones,	S. J. Person.

WHITE DEGREE.

R. Gray.

ABSTRACT of the Quarterly Reports of Subordinate Lodges under the jurisdiction of the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina, commencing April 1, 1845, and ending March 31, 1846.

Names of Lodges.	Number.	Where held.	Counties.	Time of Meeting.	Initiations.	Rejections.	Admitted by Card.	Withdrawn by Card.	Reinstatements.	Suspensions.	Expulsions.	Deaths.	Past Grands.	Amount of Revenue.	Number of Contributing Members.	Number of Brothers Relieved.	Number of Widowed Families Relieved.	No. of Bro's Buried.	Amount paid for Relief of Brothers.	Amount paid for Relief of Widowed Families.	Amount paid for Educating Orphans.	Amount paid for Burying Dead.	Total amount of Relief.
Cape Fear,	2	Wilmington,	N. Hanover,	Tuesday,	25	7	7	11	11	23	6		17	$1120 68	137	21	1		$371 83	$35 00	$53 50		$365 33
Washington,	3	Murfree.boro',	Hertford,	Friday,	5	1	1	1			1		12	229 96	55	10			88 20				88 20
Cross Creek,	4	Fayetteville,	Cumberland,	Friday,	23	7	1	9					11	848 50	115	5			221 00				221 00
Thaddeus,	5	Warsaw,	Duplin,	Friday,	7	2		6			1		4	167 61	23	7			47 67				47 67
Neuse,	6	Waynesboro',	Wayne,	Saturday,	8	3	2						3	233 16	17								
Eureka,	7	Newbern,	Craven,	Wednesday,	83	5	2			3	2		2	1494 98	88		1			*51 00			54 00
Manteo,	8	Raleigh.	Wake.	Friday,	15	2	4						1	269 63	15	1			30 00				30 00
					166	27	17	27	11	26	10		49	$4364 52	450	44	2		$653 70	$39 00	$58 50		$806 20

NOTE.—The Reports from Neuse Lodge embrace *three* Quarters, Eureka, *two*, and Manteo *one*.

*The amount paid for relief of Widowed Families was raised by voluntary contributions, and not from the funds of the Lodge.

RECORD

Of the Subordinate Lodges under the Jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina.

Names of Lodges.	No.	Where Held.	Date of Opening.	By whom Opened.	By what authority.	Time of Meeting.	Officers Installed.
Weldon,*	1	Weldon,	April 26, 1841.	P. G. M., George M. Bain, of Va., D. D. G. S.	Dispensation from G. L. U. S.		
Cape Fear,	2	Wilmington,	May 13, 1842,	Ditto.	Ditto.	Tuesday,	Alexander McRae, N. G. V. Hodgeson, V. G.
Washington,	3	Murfreesborough,	May 17, 1842,	Ditto.	Ditto.	Friday.	
Cross Creek,	4	Fayetteville,	August 22, 1843	D. G. M., John McRae, Sen.	Dispensation from G. L. of N. C.	Friday.	Rev. E. McNair, N. G. James A. McRae, V. G. Henry Baker, Secretary. John McRae, Treasurer.
Thaddeus,	5	Originally at Warsaw, now at Clinton, Sampson Co.	January 24, 1844,	G. M., John McRae, Sen.	Ditto.	Friday.	
Neuse,	6	Waynesborough,	August 16, 1845,	G. M., Alex. McRae.	Ditto.	Saturday.	Daniel Cogdell, N. G. S. Singleton, V. G. F. H. Hooks, Sec'y. L. Peacock, Treasurer.
Eureka,	7	Newbern,	October 3, 1845,	Ditto.	Ditto.	Wednesday.	Israel Disosway, N. G. James Cicero Justice, V. G. C. J. White, Sec'y. G. W. Denby, Treasurer.
Manteo,	8	Raleigh,	Jan'y 14, 1846,	Ditto.	Ditto.	Friday.	Edward Yarborough, N. G. W. D. Cooke, V. G. O. A. Buck, Secretary. W. R. Scott, Treasurer.

*Discontinued and Charter surrendered.

The Grand Lodge of North Carolina was opened on the 6th of January, 1843, by D. D. Grand Sire, George M. Bain, by virtue of a Dispensation from the Grand Lodge of the United States.

INDEPENDENT ORDER OF ODD FELLOWS.

FRIENDSHIP, LOVE AND TRUTH.

ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

OF THE

RIGHT WORTHY GRAND LODGE

OF THE

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Held in Wilmington, May, 1847.

WILMINGTON, *Wednesday*, May 12, 1847.

The R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina assembled at 10 o'clock this day in the Hall of Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, when the following Officers and Past Grands were found to be present:

EDWARD YARBOROUGH,	*R. W. D. G. Master,*
J. B. NEWBY,	*R. W. G. Secretary,*
J. CICERO JUSTICE,	*R. W. Grand Warden,*
A. PAUL REPITON,	*R. W. Grand Chaplain,*
ALEXANDER McRAE,	*R. W. G. Representative.*

And P. G. M., John McRae, Sen'r, and Past Grands David Cashwell, Robert Thomas, W. O. Jeffreys, and John C. Wood, of Cape Fear Lodge No. 2; and Thaddeus D. Love, of Thaddeus Lodge, No. 5.

The R. W. Deputy Grand Master took the Chair, and the Grand Lodge was opened with prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

The following Representatives and Past Grands appeared, and their credentials having been examined and found correct, they were declared entitled to seats, viz:

Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, Rev. A. P. Repiton, Rep.
" " " " " James T. Miller,
" " " " " T. Burr, Jr.
Eureka " " 7, J. Cicero Justice, Rep.
Manteo " " 8, Wm. H. McKee, Rep.
Mecklenburg Dec. " 9, Joshua Trotter, Rep.
Concordia " 11, T. Burr, Jr., *proxy.*
Trent " 12, D. Cashwell, *proxy.*
Franklin " 13, W. H. McKee, *proxy.*

On motion, the G. L. D., was conferred on Bro. Richard Simpson, the Steward of this Grand Lodge.

The reading of the Proceedings of the last Annual Communication was dispensed with, and printed copies were furnished to each of the members.

The Grand Secretary then read the following Report from the M. W. Grand Master:

R. W. Grand Officers, Representatives, and Brethren:

Following the example of those who have preceded me, in the responsible and honorable office and station of Grand Master of the State, whose practice, in the absence of any enactments or positive requirements of this Grand body on the subject, has given to the custom almost the binding force of law, I will proceed to lay before you a synopsis of my acts and doings for the official year just about closing, and bring to view such subjects for your enlightened legislation as, in my opinion, are necessary and proper to be presented for your consideration.

At no period since the organization of the Order within this jurisdiction, has there been so great a number of new Lodges instituted as during the past year: Six having sprung into existence—three of them scions from Eureka No. 7,—within that space of time. All of them are in a flourishing condition; and the officers and members of each appear to vie with each other in extending and promulgating the sacred principles of "sincere Friendship, unfeigned Love, and simple Truth," by which we profess to be governed. The most flattering accounts of their progress and advance in the affections of the citizens of their respective localties, have been received verbally or by letter from them all.

On the 20th of October last, upon application of the constitutional number of Brothers of the Order "in good standing," as evidenced by their

Withdrawal Cards, I granted a Dispensation to open "MECKLENBURG DECLARATION LODGE, No. 9," to be located at Charlotte, and attended in person to Institute the Lodge and Install its Officers on the 24th of the same month, after travelling during the whole of the time intervening without cessation.

A Dispensation was also granted on the 21st November, to five members of the Order who had withdrawn from Eureka, No. 7, for the purpose of opening a Lodge in Washington. The Lodge is called "PHALANX LODGE, No. 10." The pleasing duty of Institution, Installation, and the Dedication of a spacious and beautiful Hall—which had been fitted up and adorned by the liberality of a part of the applicants,—was attended to by your chief officer, assisted by the R. W. Grand Warden, J. C. Justice, P. G., Charlotte, and Bro. Choate. An appropriate and finished Address was delivered at the time of Dedication, by Bro. Rodman, of "Manteo Lodge, No. 8."

The third application in order of time, came from Brothers formerly of Eureka, residing at Beaufort, which application was favorably entertained; and a Dispensation having been issued, dated January 21, 1847, I proceeded in company with Bro. Choate, to their hospitable town, and gratified the long entertained desire of their hearts by Instituting "CONCORDIA LODGE, No. 11," Installing its officers, and giving such instructions as the occasion seemed to require. They having progressed finely, and rented a fine Brick Hall,—thus adding to the many evidences, of the fact, that Odd Fellowship needs but to be known to be appreciated.

The last,—but in no respect, save in size, the least,—of the Lodges to which it has been my privilege to give a "local habitation and a name," and to Institute in person, is located at Trenton, and is another shoot from the *Mother of Lodges* in that section of the State, Eureka, No. 7.

I desire here to pay a deserved tribute to the Brethren of Washington and Trenton, for the handsome manner in which they have fitted up their Halls, and their diligence in having every thing in readiness for the Institution and work of their Lodges. Trenton is a small place, and it is not to be expected that their Lodge will be strong in numbers, and consequently I was not prepared to find so neat a place of meeting. Notwithstanding this, their Hall would do credit to a much larger town, where the prospect of large accessions to their numbers was much more flattering. This Lodge is called "TRENT, No. 12."

It is always highly gratifying when, in the course of his duties, the Grand Master or Deputy finds such demonstrations of interest for the Order as have been cited above; and I would suggest that your worthy body recommend, that in all cases when application may be made, the same or a similar course shall be pursued by the applicants. Neatness and an orderly arrangement are as necessary to the well being of our Order as to the comfort of the private circle.

The necessary preliminaries were attended to by myself, being kindly

assisted by the Worthy Warden and Conductor of Eureka Lodge, Brothers Morris and Hay.

At the request of the D. G. M., I went to the City of Raleigh, on my way to Louisburg, in December last, for the purpose of opening a Lodge in the latter place; but on my arrival, I found that matters were not in a state of sufficient forwardness to enable me to accomplish the object of my visit. I therefore left the necessary authority, &c., in the hands of D. G. M., Yarborough, who attended to the duties on the 9th of March last. The Lodge was established, I am informed, under the most favorable auspices. It is called "FRANKLIN, No. 13.

Another application was made on the 2nd day of April, for a Dispensation to open a Lodge to be located at Elizabeth City. A Dispensation was issued, and I retained it in my possession till the latest possible period when, from causes entirely beyond my control, I was compelled to entrust it to a Deputy; and, it being out of the power of the only Grand Lodge officer in my vicinity to attend to the matter for me, I selected Bro. R. W. Choate, of Eureka Lodge, to act in my stead. He responded affirmatively to my application, and thus increased the weight of my obligations to him, for his promptness and efficiency, as an assistant and adviser, on this and many other occasions.

A report of the result of his expedition is herewith submitted, and I recommend that it be published as an accompaniment with that made by myself. The document is marked A.

The above Dispensations will be submitted to you, and I respectfully recommend that Charters be granted for the same.

All the Lodges formed during the past year embrace within the mystic circle of the Order men of the first respectability: and so long as they guard their portals as sedulously as they have done, they need entertain no fears for the issue.

Having had various questions propounded to me, and being in receipt of several letters in reference to Regalia, a communication was addressed to all the Lodges in the State, under the date of December 12, 1846, on the subject,—forwarding each a copy of the 25th By-Law of the Grand Lodge, of the United States, regulating the matter—and all were requested to conform to it.

The Grand Lodge of the United Sates having at its last Session, prolonged the term of the Officers of Subordinate Lodges to six months, a circular was addressed to each Lodge under this jurisdiction, instructing them to regulate their subsequent elections accordingly.

On the 21st March, I received from the Grand Cor. and Rec. Secretary of the Grand Lodge of the United States, by order of the Grand Sire, a circular in reference to printing the Odes, Certificates, &c., (recognised by the Order,) by Subordinate Lodges; and conceiving myself instructed so to do,

copies of the same were transmitted, by the first mail after its receipt, to every Lodge in the State.

My attention having been called to the subject by the worthy and efficient Grand Secretary, J. B. Newby, I directed him to notify the different Subordinate Lodges, that such revision and alteration of the General Laws would take place at the next (this) Session of the Grand Lodge, as would make them conform to the changes made by the Grand Lodge of the United States. And as our official year ends with December, so should our fiscal; therefore, he was instructed to notify the Subordinate Lodges to make out their Returns only up to the 1st of January instead, of the 1st of April, as heretofore. And at the suggestion of Bro. N., a Committee was appointed through him,—he being requested to associate two other Past Grands with himself,—constituting the Committee of Revison, Alteration, &c., (varying the place, however, from that proposed by him, to Fayetteville,) with instructions to report at this meeting of the Grand Lodge.

For the purpose of rendering the duties of the future incumbents of the office now held by myself, less onerous, it is respectfully recommended, that the State be laid off in convenient Districts, and that suitable persons be appointed to act as D. D. Grand Masters,—except in those Districts where the Grand Master and Deputy Grand Master may reside,—whose duty it shall be, after receiving a Dispensation from the proper authority, to proceed to open such Lodge as may be designated within the District of said Deputy. This plan, it is believed, will essentially subserve the interests of the Order, by affording greater facilities for extending the same; will be much less expensive to the Grand Lodge, (which now bears the expenses consequent upon opening Subordinate Lodges;) and will render the duties of the Grand Master (who, under the present arrangement, may be called upon to travel hundreds of miles from home,) much less burdensome.

The advantages accruing from this system have been abundantly manifested in those States which have adopted it.

The Committee of three, appointed at your last Session, "to prepare, or cause to be prepared, a Form of Burial Service for Subordinate Lodges," which said Committee were to have submitted the result of their labors to the Grand Master on or before the 1st of July last, have failed to fulfil the object of their appointment; consequently it has not been in his power to comply with that part of the Resolution by which the Committee was raised, making it obligatory on him to "furnish each Subordinate Lodge with a copy of said Form of Funeral Service."

In consequence of an error having occurred in reference to the distribution of the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of the United States for 1846, by which ten copies intended for distribution were appropriated to private use, all the Lodges have not been supplied with them. Being desirous that all the Lodges should have in their possession the Journals of that body from 1821 to the present time, I took the liberty of ordering a sufficient

number on account of this Grand Lodge, to furnish each Subordinate with a copy, and have them with me. The cost is merely nominal, and I respectfully suggest that each Representative be requested to purchase a copy for the use of his Lodge, to be reimbursed from its funds; or, if thought best, that each Subordinate be presented with one. This will, I think, have the effect to curtail materially the correspondence of your Grand Officers, as the work embraces the entire legislation of the Order, from its commencement in this country to the present time.

In January last, a communication was received from the Grand Cor. and Rec. Secretary of the Grand Lodge of the United States, accompanied by a Report and Resolution, adopted at the last Session of that Grand Lodge, on the subject of Education—"asking your calm and dispassionate consideration" of the matter referred to. The document is herewith submitted—marked B.

The little experience that the duties of my office, or casually being present at the meeting of some of the Lodges in this State, have afforded me, has served to convince me that there does not exist that uniformity in the unwritten work of the Order which is desirable. I therefore deferentially suggest, that some time be set apart during the Session of this Lodge, for instruction in that part of our work; and, if the end desired cannot be accomplished in this way, some suitable and well instructed Brother be appointed, whose duty it shall be to visit every Lodge in the State, and give such instructions as may be necessary to insure uniformity—and that it be enjoined upon the Lodges to conform strictly to the same. If the latter course should be thought necessary, it will be for you to say how or by whom his expenses shall be borne.

As our Order is extending itself, and we cannot throw too many guards around it, it is respectfully suggested, that each Lodge under this jurisdiction be required to forward to this Grand Lodge, or, during the interim to the Grand Master, an impression in wax of its Seal. These impressions may be useful to compare with those on the credentials of the Representatives, &c., and thus prevent imposition. Besides, they would furnish a cabinet of an interesting character to members of the fraternity. If thought of sufficient importance, you will take such action as will accomplish the object contemplated.

Several of the Lodges have sent me, during the past year, copies of their By-Laws, prepared within that time, and on examination I find them *all*, in some particular, to conflict with the "General Laws for the government of Subordinate Lodges." It is therefore recommended that each Subordinate Lodge be required to submit a copy of its Constitution, By-Laws and Rules of Order, to this Grand Lodge, for examination, correction if necessary, and approval. In some of the States this requirement is made and a Committee, styled the "Committee on By-Laws," appointed, whose duty it is to examine such copies of By-Laws as may be submitted. A similar Committee might be raised with us for the same purpose.

As a means of convenience and information, the adoption of the plan pursued by many of the State Grand Lodges, that of having the names and address of Grand Lodge Officers published at the end of their Proceedings, is recommended. It is a great convenience to persons residing in other States, who may wish to address them on business connected with the Order, and who are often at a loss where or to whom to address their communications.

But two drafts have been made on the Treasury during the past year. One dated November 7th, 1846, for Ten Dollars, to be forwarded by the Grand Secretary to Horace Mann, Esq. of Boston, "for much valuable information on the subject of Schools." This expenditure is the result of a resolution passed at your last Annual Communication, instructing the Grand Secretary to open a correspondence with the above named gentlemen on the subject referred to. I doubt not but the information obtained would fully justify a much larger appropriation of funds. The other was for Thirty Dollars and Twenty Cents, dated January 16th, 1847, to pay Mr. Hale's bill for printing the proceedings of this Grand body and publishing notice of its time of meeting. I ask your acquiescence in the above appropriations.

After a long, and until a few days ago a fruitless search, I have come in possession of the Proceedings of this Grand Lodge for the year 1843. Would it not be well, as it is desirable for every Lodge to be furnished with the entire legislation of the Order in the State, to have a limited number printed? This might be done at a small expense, and I think it would well repay the outlay.

The correspondence of this office for the past year has been great and voluminous: it is submitted, together with copies of such letters as it was thought necessary to preserve.

A communication was received in January last, from the Grand Cor. and Rec. Secretary of the Grand Lodge of the United States, addressed to the Grand Lodge of this State, pointing out an error in our last Annual Report. The same is submitted—marked C.

And now, Brethren, I may allude to the prosperous condition of the Order, as well as its unity—not a case of complaint or dissatisfaction having been laid before me during the whole period of my official Administration, now so near its termination. Nor have any "vexed questions" been submitted for my decision—an unerring indication of mild counsels and prevalence of the right spirit. Long may our beloved Order continue to occupy its present firm basis, united and happy. While I cannot but regard the entire Order with interest, I may be excused for looking with peculiar solicitude to the future career of those Lodges which have sprung into existence during my term of office. There are incidents connected with the formation of some of them "on which my mind lingers with peculiar fondness, and which must ever be regarded as verdant spots in the desert of our days."

The great and unexpected honor you conferred upon me, in calling me to preside over the destinies of the Order in this State, I have endeavored fully to appreciate. Being in a measure aware of the responsibilities that are the attendants of the office, I pledged myself in advance, that, to the utmost of my ability, all my acts should be conscientiously performed.—My comparative youth in the Order, and consequent inexperience, may have led me into errors: if so, I assure you, Brethren, that they have been "errors of the head and not of the heart."

The above is respectfully submitted in the bonds of fraternal affection,

I. DISOSWAY, *G. M.*

On motion the above Report was referred to a Select Committee, consisting of Reps. T. Burr, Jr., Cashwell, and Jeffreys, with instructions to report thereon.

The M. W. Grand Master *pro tem.* appointed the following Standing Committees:

Committee of Conference.—Reps. John McRae, Sr., Miller and T. D. Love.

On Accounts.—Reps. Alex. McRae, Cashwell and McKee.

Executive Committee.—Reps. Repiton, Howey and Trotter.

On Correspondence.—Reps. John McRae, Sr., Wood and Miller.

On motion the Grand Lodge adjourned to 4'clock, P. M.

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4 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Grand Lodge met according to adjournment,

PRESENT:

EDWARD YARBOROUGH,	*R. W. D. G. Master,*
J. B. NEWBY,	*R. W. G. Secretary,*
J. D. GARDNER	*R. W. G. Treasurer,*
J. CICERO JUSTICE,	*R. W. Grand Warden,*
Rev. A. PAUL REPITON,	*R. W. Grand Chaplain,*
ALEXANDER McRAE,	*R. W. G. Representative,*
O. L. FILLYAW,	*W. Grand Conductor.*

And Reps. McKee, Wood, Anderson, Miller, T. Burr, Jr., Jeffreys, Trotter, Bryant and Thaddeus D. Love.

The following Representatives and Past Grands appeared, were qualified, and took their seats as members:

Cross Creek	Lodge,	No.	4,	John Shaw, Rep.
Thaddeus	"	"	5,	L. C. Hubbard, Rep.
Neuse	"	"	6,	Benj. J. Houze, Rep.
"	"	"	"	W. S. G. Andrews.

The following Resolution was offered by P. G. M., Alex. McRae, and unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That Bro. B. F. Hanks be admitted to a seat in this Grand Lodge as Representative from Phalanx Lodge, No. 10.

The following Brothers, members of the Scarlet Degree in good standing, were permitted to receive the G. L. D., and to sit as Visiting Brothers, viz: Bros. J. B. Littlejohn and John Broddie, of Franklin Lodge, No. 13; and Bro. V. W. Vick, of Neuse Lodge, No. 6.

The Select Committee, to whom was referred the Report of the M. W. Grand Master, submitted the following Report:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee appointed to classify the subject matter contained in the Grand Master's Report, have the honor to state, that they have performed that duty, and beg leave to recommend—

That so much of the Grand Master's Report as relates to the following subjects, be referred to Committees of three each:

1st. Granting Charters to Lodges opened under Dispensation.

2d. Districting the State, and the appointment of District Deputy Grand Masters.

3rd. Burial Service.

4th. Uniformity of work, and the appointment of a Grand Lecturer.

5th. Seals, By-Laws, Publications, &c.,

6th. Appropriations,—Printing and Distributing Proceeding,—Error in the last Report to Grand Lodge of the United States.

(Signed,) T. BURR, Jr., *Chairman.*

On motion, the above Report was received, and the recommendations adopted. In conformity with which, the M. W. Grand Master *pro tem.* appointed the following Committees:

1. *On granting Charters, &c.*—Reps. Hanks, Houze and Shaw.

2. *Districting the State.*—Reps. Andrews, McKee, and Bryant.

3. *Burial Service.*—Reps. Hubbard, Cashwell and Repiton.

4. *Uniformity of Work, &c.*—Reps. John McRae, Sr., Bryant and Houze.

5. *Seals, By-Laws, &c.*—Reps. Burr, Miller, and Jeffreys.

6. *Appropriations, Printing Proceedings, &c.*—Reps. Cashwell, Andrews, and Hanks.

P. G. M., Alex. McRae offered the following Resolution, which was rejected:

Resolved, That the Steward of this Grand Lodge be instructed to procure for the use of its members, tables or desks, and stationary, pens, ink, &c., for each member.

P. G. M., Alex. McRae, Grand Representative, submitted the following Report:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

As your Representative to the Grand Lodge of the United States, I herewith present the Grand Lodge with a copy of the Proceedings of that body. The only instructions received by me from this Grand Lodge, were to use my exertions to have the Laws of the Grand Lodge of the United States revised and printed in a separate form. For this purpose, the Grand Lodge passed a resolution to that effect, and a Committee was appointed to arrange the laws and report to the next meeting. A law was also passed, in accordance with a resolution of Campbell Encampment, making it the duty of Lodges granting Benefits to transient members, to endorse the amount on their Cards.

On the subject of Schools, a lengthy Report was made, but no definite action was had.

(Signed,) ALEX. McRAE, *Gr. Rep.*

On motion, the above Report was received, and the copy of Proceedings referred to a Committee, consisting of Reps. Anderson, McKee, and Andrews.

Rep. T. Burr, Jr., offered the following Preamble and Resolution, which was adopted:

WHEREAS, it appears to the satisfaction of this body, that the Charter of Thaddeus Lodge, No. 5, has been destroyed by fire: Therefore,

Be it Resolved, That a new Charter be furnished that body.

On motion of Rep. T. Burr, Jr., 50 copies of the Report of the M. W. Grand Master were ordered to be printed for the immediate use of the members.

The M. W. Grand Master *pro tem.* appointed the following Committee to take charge of any unfinishd business remaining at the last Session, viz: Reps. Thomas, Fillyaw, and Trotter.

An invitation was received from Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, to join in procession with them in celebrating their Sixth Anniversary; which was accepted; and on motion of Rep. Miller, the Grand Lodge agreed to go as a body,—Rep. Andrews being appointed Grand Mashal for the occasion.

On motion, the Grand Lodge adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M., to-morrow.

Thursday, May 13, 3 o'clock, P. M.

The Grand Lodge met according to adjournment.

PRESENT:

Israel Disosway,	*M. W. Grand Master,*
Edward Yarborough,	*R. W. D. G. Master,*
J. B. Newby,	*R. W. Grand Secretary,*
J. D. Gardner,	*R. W. Grand Treasurer,*
J. C. Justice,	*R. W. Grand Warden,*
Rev. A. P. Repiton,	*R. W. Grand Chaplain,*
Alexander McRae,	*R. W. Grand Representative,*
O. L. Fillyaw,	*W. Grand Conductor,*

And P. G. M., John McRae, Sen., and P. G's T. Burr, Jr., Ballard, Cashwell, Hubbard, Hanks, McKee, Houze, Anderson, Shaw, Andrews, Bryant, Thomas and Trotter.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

On motion of Rep. Repiton, the G. L. D. was ordered to be conferred upon Bro. Hiram B. Davis, the N. G. of Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, and he was allowed a seat as a Visiting Brother.

Rep. McKee introduced the following Report, which was received, and the Resolution of thanks adopted unanimously.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee to whom was referred the Report of P. G. M., Alex'r

McRae, Grand Representative to the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States, with the Proceedings of that body, find but one additional subject to that of the Grand Representative, (as reported,) that requires the attention of this Grand Lodge, viz: the term for holding offices in the Subordinate Lodges. They find that the time has been changed from three to six months. As some of the Lodges have instructed their Representatives to this Lodge, to use their exertions to have the time changed back again, they would respectfully call the attention of the Grand Lodge to that particular matter.

The Resolutions passed by the Grand Lodge of the United States are as follows:

"*Resolved* That from and after the first day of December, 1846, the terms of Subordinate Lodges shall be for the period of six months.

"*Resolved.* That the said terms shall commence on the first Monday of January and first Monday of July of each year."

The Committee would ask leave to introduce the following Resolution:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Lodge are hereby tendered to our M. W. P. G. M., Alexander McRae, for the faithful manner in which he discharged the duties of Representative to the Grand Lodge of the United States.

(Signed,) WM. E. ANDERSON, WM. H. McKEE, W. S. G. ANDREWS, *Committee.*

Rep. Andrews introduced the following Preamble and Resolution:

WHEREAS, The Grand Lodge of the United States thought proper, at its last Annual Session, to change the term of service for Officers of Subordinate Lodges from three to six months: And whereas, the said alteration was made without any previous expression of opinion from the members of Subordinate Lodges; without being called for by any irregularity in the working of the old system, or dissatisfaction with the three months' term: And whereas, we believe it will operate injuriously to the Order in this State:

Therefore Resolved, That the Grand Representative of this Grand Lodge be instructed to urge the repeal of the law requiring six months' terms, and a return to the ancient usage of the Order—three months' terms.

On motion being made to adopt the above Preamble and Resolution, the vote was called for by Lodges, and resulted as follows:

AYES.—Cross Creek Lodge, No. 4,
Neuse " No. 6,
Manteo " No. 8,
Mecklenburg Dec. No. 9,
Phalanx " No. 10,

	Trent	" No. 12,
	Franklin	" No. 13,—7.
Noes.—	Thaddeus	" No. 5,
	Eureka	" No. 7,
	Concordia	" No. 11,—3.

The P. G's from Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, being equally divided, the vote was lost.

[Those in favor of the Resolution, were, P. G's Anderson, Repiton, Bryant, Ballard, and Cashwell;—those opposed to it, P. G. M., John McRae, Sr., and P. G's T. Burr, Jr., Gardner, Miller, and Thomas.]

The Committee to whom was referred that portion of the M. W. Grand Master's Report relative to Districting the State, made the following Report, which was concurred in:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee on Districting the State have had the matter under consideration, and beg leave to report that it is not expedient to do so at this time.

(Signed,) W. S. G. ANDREWS, *Chairman.*

The Executive Committee submitted the following Report, which was received:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Caralina:

The Executive Committee beg leave to report, that no business has appeared, claiming their attention.

Respectfully submitted.

(Signed,) A. PAUL REPITON, *Chairman.*

Rep. Repiton introduced the following Resolution:

Resolved, That a Committee of three P. G's be appointed to draft a form of Rules and Regulations for the government of this Grand Lodge in the prosecution of its business at the Annual Communications, and report at the next meeting of this Grand Lodge.

The Resolution was adopted, and Reps. John McRae, Sen., Miller and Repiton were appointed said Committee.

The Committee on Unfinished Business submitted the following Report:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee on Unfinished Business beg leave to report, that they have examined the Proceedings of the last Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge, and find on page 11 the following Resolutions, submitted by Rep. Repiton:

"*Resolved*, That according to the Constitution and By-Laws of this body, each and

every P. G. of the Subordinate Lodges is made an irregular constituent member of this Grand Lodge.

"*Resolved*, That as this clause of the Constitution has not been well understood by the Subordinate Lodges, and difficulty having arisen from irregular representation, this Grand Lodge do enjoin on the Subordinate Lodges to send Past Grands as regular or special Representative, (such Past Grand not being an officer of the Grand Lodge,) and he to give the vote when it is taken by Lodges."

Your Committee would recommend the adoption of the above Resolutions, with the following proviso: "*That nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to disqualify an Alternate from acting in the absence of the legal Representative.*"

Your Committee find on the same page the following Resolution submitted by Rep. Bryant:

"*Resolved*, That the amendment of the 7th Article of the General Laws, which reads—'Any Brother of the Scarlet Degree, in good standing, shall be eligible to any office in the Subordinate Lodges, provided he has been a contributing member six months,' be, and the same is hereby repealed."

Your Committee cannot recommend its adopton.

We also find on page 12 a resolution offered by Rep. Cashwell.

"*Resolved*, That all Subordinate Lodges within the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge be, and they are hereby fully authorised, to adopt such laws and regulations for their government in the levying of Dues, the amount of Benefits, and attendance on sick or distressed Brethren, as shall be deemed by them most judicious."

The adoption of which we most cheerfully recommend.

No other unfinished business appears on the Minutes, except a Resolution on page 15, offered by Rep. Newby, on Burial Service.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Signed,) O. L. FILLYAW, *Chairman.*

The Resolutions of Past Grands Repiton and Bryant, mentioned in the above Report, were indefinitely postponed. That of Rep. Cashwell was rejected. And in regard to the subject of Burial Service, the Committee appointed at the last Annual Communication, (consisting of P. G. M., Alexander McRae, and P. G's Gardner and Repiton,) was continued—except that P. G., Anderson was substituted for P. G. Gardner.

P. G. M., John McRae, Sen., introduced the following Resolutions, which were laid over by consent until tomorrow:

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary of this Grand Lodge be required to prepare annually an Abstract of the Returns of Subordinate Lodges, showing the amount of Dues from each Lodge, which Statements and Abstracts shall be submitted by him to the Grand Lodge on the first day of its Annual Communication.

Resolved, That the Grand Treasurer be required to receipt to Lodges for the amount of Dues received by him of them, which receipts shall be submitted to the Committee of Accounts, as evidence of payment by them.

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be allowed a Salary of Fifty Dollars per annum.

Rep. Anderson moved the appointment of a Committee to inquire into the expediency of investing a portion of the funds of this Grand Lodge in the purchase of the Hall and Building now occupied by Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2. The motion prevailed, and the following were appointed to act as said Committee, viz: Past Grands Anderson Houze, and Hanks.

The Committee on Charters, &c. introduced the following Report and Resolution:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee on Granting Charters have examined the Dispensation of Franklin Lodge, and recommend that a Charter be granted.

Resolved, That a Charter be granted to Franklin Lodge, No. 13.

(Signed,) BENJ. F. HANKS, *Chairman.*

On motion the above Report was received, and the Resolution appended to it adopted.

The subject of a Revision of the General Laws was brought up; and the following Committee was appointed to revise and report upon the same, viz: Past Grands, T. Burr, Jr., Trotter, and Andrews.

On motion, the Grand Lodge took a recess of five minutes, previous to receiving nominations for Officers. On being called to order, the following nominations were made:

For Grand Master.—P. G. M., Alex'r McRae nominated P. G., McKee; Rep. Thomas nominated D. G. M., Yarborough; Rep. McKee nominated P. G., Andrews; Rep. Repiton nominated P. G., Anderson.

For Deputy Grand Master.—Rep. Miller nominated P. G., Justice; Rep. Houze nominated P. G., Miller.

For Grand Secretary.—Rep. Andrews nominated P. G., Newby.

For Grand Treasurer.—Rep. Anderson nominated P. G., Gardner.

For Grand Warden.—Rep. Andrews nominated P. G., Houze.

For Grand Chaplain.—P. G. M., Alexander McRae nominated P. G., Repiton.

For Grand Representative.—Rep. McKee nominated P. G., P. Busbee, of Manteo Lodge, No. 8: Rep. Hubbard nominated G. M., Disosway.

For Alternate.—Rep. Burr nominated P. G., Warren Winslow, of Cross Creek Lodge, No. 4.

On motion, the Grand Lodge adjourned untill to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock.

Friday Morning, May 14.

The Grand Lodge met according to adjournment.

PRESENT:

I. Disosway,	*M. W. Grand Master,*
Edward Yarborough,	*R. W. D. Grand Master,*
J. B. Newby,	*R. W. Grand Secretary,*
J. D. Gardner,	*R. W. Grand Treasurer,*
J. C. Justice,	*R. W. Grand Warden,*
Rev. A. P. Repiton,	*R. W. Grand Chaplain,*
Alex. McRae,	*R. W. Grand Representative,*
O. L. Fillyaw,	*W. Grand Conductor.*

And P. G. M., John McRae, Sr., and P. G's Anderson, Ballard, Shaw, McKee, Wood, Cashwell, Hanks, T. Burr, Jr., John McRae, Jr., Hubbard, Miller, Andrews, and Houze.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The Committee to whom was referred the subject of investing a portion of the funds of this Grand Lodge in the purchase of the Hall and Building now occupied by Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, submitted the following Report, which was received and the recommendation contained therein adopted:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee, to whom the subject of uniting in the purchase of the

building occupied by Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, was referred, beg leave to report: That they deem it inexpedient to do so; but inasmuch as they find a considerable surplus fund in the Treasury, it is recommended to loan to Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, the amount of Three Hundred Dollars, to aid them in making prompt payment for their building;—on which loan the usual legal interest is to be paid. Also, that the like sum of Three Hundred Dollars be loaned to Eureka Lodge, No. 7, on the same terms. The official bonds of the presiding Noble Grands, payable one day after date, for the amounts respectively, to be lodged with the Grand Treasurer on the receipts of the said amounts by the said Lodges.

(Signed,) WM. E. ANDERSON, *Chairman.*

A proposition was made to allow other Lodges to borrow of such surplus funds as the Grand Lodge could spare, but no application was made.

Rep. Hanks, presented the following Preambles and Resolutions from Phalanx Lodge, No. 10:

WHEREAS, the 31st Article of the General Laws for the government of Subordinate Lodges of the I. O. O. F. for the State of North Carolina, adopted 7th January, 1843, requires, in relation to balloting for a person proposed for membership, that "If, after balloting, there should be found but one black ball in the ballot box, a second balloting may be had thereon; if, on the second balloting, there should not be more than one black ball, the election shall lie over until the next meeting. If then, after balloting, two or more black balls are found in the ballot box, the person so opposed shall not be received into the Order."

And the Resolution passed by the Grand Lodge on 12th May, 1843, then in session, relating to the same, declares "That the 31st Article of the General Laws requires two black balls to reject a candidate for Initiation; and if, after the second balloting there appear but one black ball, he shall be declared elected,"—which was adopted.

And whereas, we the members of Phalanx Lodge, No. 10, believe it to be for the interest of the Order, and the peculiar interest, harmony, and prosperity of this Lodge, that the before recited Section or Article, and Resolution, and all other Articles and Resolutions relating directly to the subject matter herein contained, should be altered and amended, do hereby request the Representative of this Lodge in the next Grand Lodge assembled, to propose and strenulously urge, the adoption of the following Resolution and Amendment for the future government of this Lodge:

Resolved, That the 31st Article of the General Laws for the government of Subordinate Lodges of the I. O. O. F. of the State of North Carolina, and all other Articles and Resolutions relating thereto, or the subject matter therein contained, be, and the same is hereby so altered or amended, as to provide, that hereafter, in Phalanx Lodge, No. 10,—If, on balloting for a candidate, there should not appear more than

five black balls, a second balloting may be had; and if, on the second balloting, not more than three black balls appear, the candidate shall be declared elected.

Extract from the Minutes.

T. H. HARDENBERGH, *Secretary.*

PHALANX LODGE, No. 10, Washington, N. C., 30th April, 1847.

WHEREAS, the 31st Article of the General Laws for the government of the I. O. O. F. of the State of North Carolina, provides for the appointment of a Committee to inquire into the character and standing of a candidate for membership, whose duty it is made to report at the next meeting: And whereas, we the members of Phalanx Lodge, No. 10, believe the following Amendment and Resolution would be conducive to the happiness, independence, and prosperity of said Lodge, do hereby request then Representative of this Lodge, in the next Grand Lodge assembled for this State, to propose and strenuously advocate the adoption of the following, to-wit:

Resolved, That the 31st Article of the General Laws for the government of the Subordinate Lodges for the I. O. O. F. of the State of North Carolina, and all other Articles, Sections, or Resolutions thereto relating, be and the same are hereby so altered and amended, as that Phalanx Lodge, No. 10, may be, and is hereby authorized and empowered, to require of the committee appointed for the investigation of the character and standing of a candidate, that when they, the said committee, report unfavorably of a candidate, they may, upon application of a member of the Lodge, be required to state the objections upon which said report is made.

And that when a balloting is had for a candidate of whom the Committee reported favorably, and not more than five black balls are found against him at the first balloting, the Committee so reporting may, and they, or any one of them are hereby authorized, to demand that the person so voting shall state to the Lodge his or their reasons for so voting. And if those who vote the black ball or balls shall not claim his vote upon proclamation being made by the Committee, requiring him or them so to do, and state his or their reasons as required, then the black balls not claimed shall be cast out of the ballot box.

Extract from the Minutes.

T. H. HARDENBERGH, *Secretary.*

PHALANX LODGE, No. 10, Washington, N. C., 30th April, 1847.

On motion, the above was referred to the Committee on the Revision of the General Laws.

Rep. T. Burr, Jr., introduced the following Preamble and Resolution, which were adopted:

WHEREAS, it appears by the action of the Grand Lodge of the United States, that the term of service for Officers of the Subordinate Lodges has been changed from three to six months:

Resolved, That the Lodges in this State be required to conform to the same, and elect their Officers and make their Returns semi-annually.

Rep. Shaw introduced the following Resolution, which was laid on the table:

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge request its Representative to the Grand Lodge of the United States, to present to that worthy body a Resolution, abolishing in whole or in part the present Initiatory service of Subordinate Lodges, and to substitute instead thereof the *former* Initiatory Service, or such portions thereof as they may deem proper. Nothing herein being intended to apply to the Service in any of the various Degrees.

Rep. Hanks submitted the following Report, which was received, and the recommendation concurred in:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee to whom was referred that part of the M. W. Grand Master's Report relating to Dispensations and Charters, beg leave to report: That they have examined the Dispensations granted to Mecklenburg Declaration Lodge, No. 9; Phalanx Lodge, No. 10; Concordia Lodge, No. 11; Trent Lodge, No. 12; and Achoree Lodge, No. 14, and find them all in form and correct.

They recommend, therefore, that all of said Dispensations be approved, and that Charters be granted to said Lodges.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed,) BENJ. F. HANKS, *Chairman.*

Rep. Burr submitted the following Report, which was received, and the Resolutions appended thereto adopted:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee appointed to take into consideration so much of the Grand Master's Report as relates to Seals, By-Laws, Publications, &c., have the honor to report: That they have discharged that duty, and recommend the passage of the following Resolutions:

Resolved, That each Lodge under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge be required to forward to the Grand Master an impression in wax of its Seal.

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed by the Grand Master, to be styled the "Committee on By-Laws," whose duty it shall be to examine the Constitution, By-Laws and Rules of Order, of each Subordinate Lodge under the jurisdiction of this body, for the purpose of avoiding conflict with its laws and regulations.

Resolved, That the document marked A. in the Report of the M. W. Grand Master, be printed with the Proceedings of this Grand Lodge.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed,) T. BURR, Jr., *Chairman*

Rep. Andrews introduced the following Report, which was received, and the Resolutions appended thereto adopted:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee to whom was referred that portion of the Grand Master's Report relative to "Appropriations, Printing and Distributing Official

Document and Error in last Grand Lodge Report," beg leave to report the following Resolutions:

Resolved, That the names and address of all the Officers of the Grand Lodge be printed with the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge.

Resolved, That the appropriations made by the Grand Masters in favor of Horace Mann, Esq., of Boston, for "much valuable information on the subject of Schools,"—and E. J. Hale, of Fayetteville, for printing Proceedings of last Grand Lodge and publishing notice of its time of meeting, be concurred in, and the Grand Treasurer be ordered to pay the same.

Resolved, That the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of the United States, from 1821, already purchased by the Grand Master, be distributed among the Subordinate Lodges,—one copy to each Lodge,—and the Grand Treasurer ordered to pay the Grand Master for the same.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

(Signed,) D. CASHWELL, W. S. G. ANDREWS, B. F. HANKS, } *Committee.*

On motion, the vote on the Report adopted yesterday, in regard to Districting the State, &c., was reconsidered, and the Report referred back to the Committee, with instructions to report a plan for Districting the State.

Rep. John McRae, Jr., offered the following Resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the sum of $25 be appropriated for the relief of the widow of P. G., R. Boykin, of the late Weldon Lodge; and that the sum be sent to P. G. M., John Campbell, of Weldon, with a request to pay her the amount, if in his opinion her circumstances are such as to require it; and if not, that it be returned to the Grand Treasurer.

Rep. Justice nominated P. G., Wood for Grand Master, and Rep. Andrews nominated P. G., John McRae, Jr., for Grand Secretary.

A recess of fifteen minutes was granted, at the expiration of which the Grand Lodge again came to order.

Rep. John McRae, Jr., offered the following Resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That our Representative to the Grand Lodge of the United States, at its next Session, be requested to bring the subject of some general form for laying Corner Stones of Lodges, Dedication of Halls, Processions, and Burial Service, to the consideration of that body—there being no general form in existence at present known to this Grand Lodge.

P. G. M., John McRae, Sr., offered the following which was adopted:

WHEREAS, Thaddeus Lodge, No. 5, has sustained a heavy loss by fire, which destroyed the Lodge and property:

Resolved, That the Dues from that Lodge to this Grand Lodge, for the past year, be refunded to it.

The following amendment to the Constitution was introduced by Rep. Hubbard, and lies over one year:

Resolved, That the 2d Section of Article 2d of the Constitution be so amended as to read as follows:

"Every Subordinate Lodge shall pay to the Grand Lodge, at each Annual Communication, a sum not exceeding ten per cent. on Initiations, Degrees, Dues, and Deposite Cards,—the precise amount to be decided on by the Grand Lodge at each Annual Communication, for the ensuing year."

The Resolutions offered yesterday by P. G. M., John McRae, Sr., in relation to the duties of the Grand Secretary, were taken up, read, adopted.

The following Quere was propounded: "Can a Subordinate Lodge meet and perform Funeral Obsequies over the remains of a Brother, when the Brother shall have been buried before the Lodge could have a meeting for that purpose?" It was decided by the Grand Master that no Funeral Procession should be had.

The Committee on Districting the State, to whom was referred back their Report, with instructions, introduced the following, which was received and adopted:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee on Districting have laid the State off into six Districts, as follows:

1. *Wilmington District.*—Cape Fear and Thaddeus Lodges.
2. *Raleigh District.*—Manteo, Neuse, and Franklin Lodges.
3. *Fayetteville District.*—Cross Creek Lodge.
4. *Mecklenburg District.*—Mecklenburg Declaration Lodge.
5. *Newbern District.*—Eureka, Phalanx, Concordia and Trent Lodges.
6. *Roanoke District.*—Washington and Achoree Lodges.

All Lodges established this year shall be attached as follows:

All in the Counties adjoining and North of the Roanoke River,—to the Roanoke District.

All between the Roanoke Counties, the Counties of Onslow and Duplin, and W. & R. Rail Road,—to the Newbern District.

All from that line to the South Carolina line, and West to Thaddeus Lodge,—to the Wilmington District.

All from that line West to the line drawn from the East Mecklenburg

line, North to the Virginia line, and from Raleigh West to that line,—to the Fayetteville District.

All North of a West line from Raleigh, and East of the line drawn North from Mecklenburg,—to the Raleigh District.

All West of a line drawn from the East Mecklenburg line to the Virginia line,—to the Mecklenburg District.

(Signed,) W. S. G. ANDREWS, *Chairman.*

The following Report was received and adopted:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee to whom was referred that part of the Report of the M. W. Grand Master relative to uniformity in the unwritten work of the Order, beg leave to recommend, that "some time be set apart during the present Session of this Lodge for instruction in that part of our work;" and that the different Representatives and Past Grands in attendance be requested, on their return home, to impart to their respective Subordinate Lodges information on this subject. JOHN McRAE, Sr., *Chairman.*

The following Report was received and adopted:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee appointed on that part of the M. W. Grand Master's Report on the subject of a communication from the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States, relative to an error in the last Report of this Grand Lodge, as follows—"Instead of reporting from the 1st of April, the Report should embrace a period within 1st of July one year and the 30th of June the succeeding year,"—beg leave to report: That they can see no way of correcting that Report at this time; but request our Grand Secretary hereafter to conform to the wishes of the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States.

(Signed,) W. S. G. ANDREWS, A. BRYANT, D. CASHWELL, } *Committee.*

P. G. M., Alex. McRae offered the following Resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That at the opening of this Grand Lodge, at each of its Sessions, either regular or called, the following Standing Committees shall be appointed:

Committee on Credentials.
Committee on the State of the Order.
Committee on Petitions.
Committee of Finance.
Committee on Returns and Reports of Subordinate Lodges.
Committee on Constitutions, By-Laws, and Rules of Order.
Committee on Correspondence.
Committee on Subordinate Lodges not represented;—

All of which shall consist of three members each.

On motion, the Grand Lodge adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

3 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Grand Lodge met according to adjournment.

PRESENT:

ISRAEL DISOSWAY,	*M. W. Grand Master,*
EDWARD YARBOROUGH,	*R. W. D. G. Master,*
J. B. NEWBY,	*R. W. Grand Secretary,*
J. D. GARDNER,	*R. W. Grand Treasurer,*
J. C. JUSTICE,	*R. W. Grand Warden,*
REV. A. P. REPITON,	*R. W. Grand Chaplain,*
ALEXANDER MCRAE,	*R. W. Grand Representative,*
O. L. FILLYAW,	*W. Grand Conductor,*

And P. G. M., John McRae, Sr., and P. G's Anderson, Hanks, Houze, Shaw, Burr, Andrews, McKee, John McRae, Jr., Thomas, Cashwell, Hubbard, Miller, Bryant, Ballard, and Wood.

Rep. Repiton offered the following Resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That Fifty Dollars be appropriated from the funds of this Grand Lodge, to pay the present Grand Secretary for his services to the Grand Lodge.

On motion, the Grand Lodge agreed to go into the election of Officers for the ensuing year,

When Rep. McKee withdrew the name of P. G., Andrews for Grand Master; Rep. Justice withdrew that of P. G. Wood for the same office; and Rep. Houze withdrew the name of P. G. Miller for Deputy Grand Master. Rep. Anderson nominated P. G., Bryant for Deputy Grand Master; and Rep. Burr nominated P. G., Anderson for Grand Representative.

Tellers being appointed, the ballotings were had, with the following result:

WM. H. MCKEE,	of No. 8,	*M. W. Grand Master.*
J. C. JUSTICE,	" 7,	*R. W. D. Grand Master.*
JOHN MCRAE, JR.,	" 2,	*R. W. Grand Secretary.*
J. D. GARDNER,	" 2,	*R. W. Grand Treasurer.*
BENJ. J. HOUZE,	" 6,	*R. W. Grand Warden.*
REV. A. P. REPITON,	" 2,	*R. W. Grand Chaplain.*
WM. E. ANDERSON,	" 2,	*R. W. Grand Representative.*
P. BUSBEE,	" 8,	*Alternate.*

The Committee on Printing, Distribution, &c., submitted the following Resolutions, which were adopted:

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary shall be required to contract for the printing of the Proceedings of this Grand Lodge in such manner as he may think most proper,—only providing the contract shall be executed and the work ready for distribution by the 1st of July next.

Resolved, That one hundred copies of the "Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of I. O. O. F., assembled at Wilmington, N. C., May, 1843," be printed, and a copy sent to each Lodge and each Grand Officer.

On motion, the Grand Master proceeded to Install the newly elected Grand Master, who, on taking the Chair, Installed the Deputy Grand Master, and the various other Officers of the Grand Lodge.

The following appointments were then made:

L. C. HUBBARD, of No. 5, *Grand Conductor*,

ROBERT THOMAS, " 2, *Grand Guardian*,

JETHRO BALLARD, of Wilmington, *D. D. Grand Master*.

JOHN SHAW, of Fayetteville, " "

JOSHUA TROTTER, of Charlotte, " "

J. C. B. EHRINGHAUS, of Elizabeth City, "

RICHARD SIMPSON, *Steward of Grand Lodge*.

Rep. Anderson introduced the following Resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Lodge are due and are hereby tendered to our M. W. P. G. M., Israel Disosway, for the able and impartial manner in which he has presided over the deliberations of this body, and discharged the other duties of his office as Grand Master.

Rep. Shaw introduced the following Resolution, which lies over until the next Annual Communication:

Resolved, That the third Section of Article 12th of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of the State, be so amended as to read thus: "The vote by Lodges on any question or ballot for election may be required by any one Lodge."

The Committee of Finance submitted the following Report, which was was received and adopted:

To The R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee on Accounts having performed the duty assigned them, beg leave to report: They find on examination that the Treasurer has on hand at this time, (after finding the Vouchers correct,) Six Hundred and Thirty-five Dollars and four Cents; and the following amounts due from the Subordinate Lodges:

			$635 04
Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2,	(Dues,)		80 05
Washington, No. 3,	"		20 50
Cross Creek, No. 4,	"		23 04
Thaddeus, No. 5,	"	(refunded,)	35 00
Neuse, No. 6,	"		37 50
Eureka, No. 7,	"		83 07
Manteo, No. 8,	"		68 97
Phalanx, No. 10,	(Charter, Books, and Dues,)		50 32
Concordia, No. 11,	" "	"	47 76
Trent, No. 12,	(Charter and Books,)		32 00
Franklin, No. 13,	" "		32 50

They find that Neuse, Mecklenburg Declaration, and Concordia Lodge Reports are made up to the 1st of May, and the remaining Lodge Reports up to the 1st of January, 1847.

(Signed,) ALEX. McRAE, WM. H. McKEE, DAVID CASHWELL, } *Committee.*

Rep. Andrews submitted the following Resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be authorized to audit the account of the Grand Steward, for Stationary and attendance on the Grand Lodge, and draw an order on the Grand Treasurer for the same.

Rep. Burr submitted the following, which was adopted:

WHEREAS, The Grand Lodge of the United States, at its last Session, passed a resolution requesting an expression of opinion of the several State Grand Lodges, on the subject of Education: Therefore, be it

Resolved, That in the opinion of this body, the Prussian Common School System is decidedly preferable to the establishment of a general College by the Order.

Rep. Repiton offered the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary have a wooden Chest made, suitable for holding the Books, Papers, &c., of this Grand Lodge; and that he present the bill of said Chest to the Grand Treasurer, who is hereby authorized to pay it.

No other business appearing, after prayer by the Grand Chaplain, the Grand Lodge was closed in "Friendship, Love, and Truth."

J. B. NEWBY, *Grand Secretary.*

APPENDIX.

LETTER A,—REFERRED TO IN THE GRAND MASTER'S REPORT.

To the M. W. Grand Master of the I. O. O. F. of North Carolina:

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER:

According to the power delegated to me by you, to Institute a Lodge of our Order in Elizabeth City, I proceeded thither, reaching that place on Saturday last, May 1st, and found there several Brethren besides those who had applied for a Dispensation. We assembled at the Hall, which had been put in readiness for the purpose, and in the presence of the Visiting Brethren, the Lodge was duly Instituted as "ACHOREE LODGE, No. 14," I. O. O. F., and Installed John C. B. Ehringhaus, N. G., William B. Harrell, V. G., Robert J. Saunders, Secretary, and William N. Simmons, Treasurer.

It is with the greatest pleasure that I say to you, sir, that I have full confidence in the zeal and ability of the Brethren to whose hands have been especially entrusted the work and interest of the Order in that section. I feel assured that every thing will be done, and well done, which may be proper and necessary.

Very respectfully yours, in F., L. and T.,

R. W. CHOATE.

NEWBERN, May 5, 1847.

LIST OF CONTRIBUTING MEMBERS,

Belonging to the Subordinate Lodges under the jurisdiction of the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina.

CAPE FEAR LODGE, NO. 2.

PAST GRANDS.

Alex. McRae, Sr.,
John McRae, Sr.,
John McRae, Jr.,
Thos. H. Howey,
Horace Burr,
Rev. A. P. Repiton,
J. D. Gardner,
Wm. O. Jeffreys,
Jethro Ballard,
David Cashwell,
S. D. Wallace,
Rev. B. L. Hoskins,
Wm. E. Anderson,
John C. Wood,
Timothy L. Guess,
Alfred Bryant.
T. Burr, Jr.,
James T. Miller,
B. Sherman.

SCARLET DEGREE.

Wm. E. Anderson,
E. N. Atkins,
T. J. Armstrong,
Horace Burr,
James Burch,
Jethro Ballard,
Jesse Bowden,
Alfred Bryant,
George Brown,
Henry Baker,
B. J. Bates,
T. D. Barry,
Wm. A. Burr,
T. Burr, Jr.,
J. M. Barnum,
J. E. Bunting,
Geo. F. Curtis,
H. M. Cowan,
David Cashwell,
John P. Calder,
Thos. H. Howey,
Leve A. Hart,
A. A. Hartsfield,
N. S. Haines,
Rev. B. L. Hoskins,
T. J. Hartsfield,
Jas. L. Hathaway,
W. E. Hyde,
Wm. C. Howard,
J. A. King,
Thos. F. King,
G. H. Kelly,
J. L. Keene,
D. A. Lamont,
Jonathan Lees,
M. London,
W. J. Love,
George G. Lynch,
E. J. Lutterloh,
Joseph Lawton,
L. Mallett,
W. Neff,
Henry Nutt,
A. F. Newkirk,
Hiram Nixon,
N. N. Nixon,
John Nutt,
H. R. Perrin,
S. P. Polly,
Gilbert Potter, Jr.,
Cyrus Packard,
R. Price,
Rev. A. P. Repiton,
A. B. Rothwell,
John T. Russ,
Wm. Robinson,
David Reid,
J. B. Russell,
Rich'd Simpson,
Wm. Sutton,

John Campbell,	John C. Latta,	B. Sherman,
John Christian,	Robert Lindsey,	F. Sullivan,
T. F. Colton,	L. Meginney,	Wm. Shaw,
John S. Dunham,	Cornelius Myers,	Wm. L. Smith,
Hiram B. Davis,	Joseph McLaurin,	Wm. Stringer,
John H. Dall,	Andrew McLane,	Job Tolman,
Jos. D. Ellis,	John McRae, Jr.,	W. H. Taylor,
Owen Fennel,	John McRae, Sr.,	R. S. Thomas.
J. D. Gardner,	Alex. McRae,	Wm. Ware,
H. Gilbert,	Jas. Mahoney,	W. A. Walker,
R. H. Grant,	J. H. Millmore,	Wm. Wilson,
Thos. F. Gause,	D. McMillan,	S. D. Wallace,
James Garrison,	Alex. Matthews,	Wm. A. Williams,
T. L. Guess,	James McGary,	John C. Wood,
Samuel P. Gause,	Hector McKellar,	J. S. Williams,
Thos. M. Gardner,	J. T. Miller,	J. H. Wright,
Charles Grey,	B. F. Mitchell,	W. J. Yopp.

ROYAL BLUE DEGREE.

W. S. Anderson,	S. W. Dunham,	I. Peterson,
J. C. Bowden,	Duncan Furgison,	W. J. Price,
Lorenzo Baker,	Wm. Marks,	J. B. Smith,
A. A. Brown.	Alex. McRae, Jr.,	J. B. Sevy,
John Crone,	James Perry,	

COVENANT DEGREE.

Samuel Berry,	John Craig,	Jeremiah Nixon,
Wm. F. Burch,	John Conoly,	Wm. T. Newel,
E. J. Bernard,	W. D. Cowan,	Hiram Polly,
Wm. Bailey,	W. F. Darkam,	R. G. Rankin,
Green Bishop,	Caleb Emery,	W. D. Smith,
H. Barkhimer,	W. E. Kirkpatrick,	D. W. Wood,
E. Cantwell,	A. Muendal,	

WHITE DEGREE.

J. C. Devane,	A. F. Toon.

INITIATORY DEGREE.

Sam. Andrews,	A. G. Dowd,	Wm. Keith,
J. B. Beatty,	R. M. Fillyaw,	Alex. Lamont,
A. O. Bradley,	R. C. Hallett,	J. S. Miller,
Thos. W. Brown,	Edward D. Hall,	T. C. Miller,
W. K. Cuchon,	J. J. Holdridge,	A. A. Warner.

WASHINGTON LODGE, No. 3.

PAST GRANDS.

R. H. Worthington,	James W. Hill,	R. R. Parker,
R. S. Parker,	L. T. Spires,	James H. Lassiter,
B. A. Spires,	Eli Carter,	H. G. Trader,
T. J. Deans,	F. M. Capehart,	Wm. H. Banks.

SCARLET DEGREE.

R. H. Worthington,	Henry G. Trader,	Alexander Britt,
R. S. Parker,	William H. Banks,	John P. Bridger,
B. A. Spires,	Lewis W. Pruden,	Benjamin Barkley,
Thomas J. Deans,	John Yates,	William B. Harrell,
James W. Hill,	Rev. John A. Doll,	Daniel Valentine,
L. T. Spires,	F. W. Jigetts,	Peter S. Williams,
Ely Carter,	John W. Hutchings,	Andrew Vinson,
F. M. Capeheart,	Rev. Joseph Lear,	Rev. E. Harrison,
R. R. Parker,	Samuel B. Pope,	John L. Griffith.
James H. Lassiter,	Benj. Bryant,	

ROYAL BLUE DEGREE.

J. H. Ethredge,	James H. Barrett,	Richard H. Barns,
G. D. Parker,	Jacob Barns,	James E. Dukes,
Samuel Polkenhorn,	Seth D. Williams,	Matthew Brewer.

COVENANT DEGREE.

Elisha Parker,	Richard G. Cowper,	Henry S. Parker,
John S. Mongen,	James H. Wood,	Charles Holland,
John D. Jinkins,	Henry Fowler,	Henry A. Moore.
Watson L. Daniel,	Drury Vinson,	

WHITE DEGREE.

William J. Baker.

INITIATORY DEGREE.

S. A. Bernard.

CROSS CREEK LODGE, No. 4.

PAST GRANDS.

Rev. E. McNair,	Arch'd McLean,	Duncan G. McRae,

J. A. McRae,	Warren Winslow,	Henry Lilly,
John McRae,	A. A. T. Smith,	James G. Cook,
J. B. Newby,	*Walter Draughon,	Henry Branson.
John Winslow,	John Shaw,	

SCARLET DEGREE.

Rev. E. McNair,	A. A. McKethan,	John A. Rowland,
James A. McRae,	Daniel Clark,	Daniel Gilchrist,
John McRae,	Wm. S. Jessup,	David R. Bell,
J. B. Newby,	John D. Cameron,	N. K. McDuffie,
Duncan G. McRae,	Henry Branson,	J. M. Stedman,
*Alex. Johnson,	Charles Lutterloh,	William Marsh,
Roderick McRae,	Owen Houston,	G. A. Schwarzman,
*Walter Draughon,	John Waddill,	Samuel A. Mims,
Arch'd McLean,	C. T. Gardner,	Robert Strange, Jr.,
James G. Cook,	Wm. W. Briggs,	J. S. McDonald,
Dickson Evans,	S. W. Tillinghast,	George Lauder,
Warren Winslow,	Samuel G. Smith,	Nathan Williams,
B. F. Atkins,	Thos. N. Cameron,	Hugh H. Porter,
Angus McKenzie,	Wm. J. Anderson,	Wm. T. Frizell,
A. A. T. Smith,	Henry Lilly,	H. B. Sedberry,
John McLaurin,	Duncan McNeill,	Robert W. Hardie,
John Winslow,	John Shaw,	J. M. McDuffie,
Amasa Alden,	O. P. Stark,	*Colin Murchison,
John L. Robinson,	Jonathan Jessup,	John Smith,
Wm. C. Robinson,	C. D. Nixon,	Malcom McNeill,

REMEMBRANCE DEGREE.

George McMillan,	Wm. Mitchell,	James Sunday.
Samuel A. Black,		

ROYAL BLUE DEGREE.

John C. Blocker,	J. P. Hodges,	Daniel Culbreth,
D. T. Newby,	*A. M. Campbell,	John R. Little,
*Jesse Hawley,	Reese Morgan,	W. McL. McKay,
Nathan King, Jr.,	Duncan McLaurin,	†George W. Melvin,
David J. Taylor.	William A. Banks,	Jacob Sundheimer,

COVENANT DEGREE.

A. B. McFayden,	C. F. Sussdorff,	Neill Smith,
John Munn,	Thomas Johnson,	Roderick Shaw,
A. A. McDougald.	Jesse P. Smith,	J. M. Hartman,

John McNeill,
Wm. H. Hardin,
Neill McPherson,
Absalom Davis,
Samuel Decker,
T. D. Atkinson,
Wm. Warden.
C. H. Cofield,
Hugh McPherson,
William Hartman,

WHITE DEGREE.

Amos Jessup,
James C. Dobbin,
B. W. Smith,
Matthew Wilder,
G. F. Webster,
Benj. Fitzrandolph,
E. R. Patridge.

INITIATORY DEGREE.

Robert E. Troy,
John Chalmers,
Wm. A. Hayes,
S. S. Gilchrist,
Edwin Glover,
Alex. J. Troy,
John J. Register,

*Withdrawn since 1st January. †Died since 1st January.

THADDEUS LODGE, No. 5.

PAST GRANDS.

Thaddeus D. Love,
John D. Love,
Owen L. Fillyaw,
Lewis S. Herring,
E. H. Stevens,
L. C. Hubbard.

SCARLET DEGREE.

G. W. Armstrong,
Isaac Boykin,
Amma B. Chesnutt,
Rev. L. Culbreth,
John C. Carroll,
D. D. Carroll,
O. M. Chesnutt,
Lewis F. Carr,
Rev. M. C. Conoley,
George A. Dudley,
W. C. Draughon,
Owen L. Fillyaw,
T. I. Faison,
Lewis S. Herring,
Thos. J. Holland,
Calton Hall,
R. C. Holmes,
L. C. Hubbard,
James C. Holmes,
Alfred Johnson,
Josiah Johnson,
Thaddeus D. Love,
John D. Love,
Alex. E. McKoy,
T. J. Morisey,
William J. Parker,
Rev. D. Parker,
T. L. Pugh,
Hardy E. Royal,
E. H. Stevens,
C. H. Stevens,
Elias F. Shaw,
W. L. Underwood,
John B. Wright.

ROYAL BLUE DEGREE.

B. Culbreth,
Rufus J. Hines,
J. M. Mosely,
William E. Pugh.

COVENANT DEGREE.

W. A. Gwyer, | T. L. Liddon, | W. M. Sherwood,
Edwin T. Love,

WHITE DEGREE.

George W. Dyes.

INITIATORY DEGREE.

Arthur Brown.

NEUSE LODGE, NO. 6.

PAST GRANDS.

S. Singleton, | F. H. Hooks, | Benj. J. Houze,
Daniel Cogdell, | John Taylor, | W. S. G. Andrews.

SCARLET DEGREE.

L. Peacock,	C. J. Nelson,	W. S. G. Andrews,
S. Singleton,	Wm. Hollowell,	B. Pennington,
Thos. C. Garrison,	T. T. Hollowell,	John Wright,
John Pike,	J. H. Everitt,	Wm. Puryear,
F. L. Coster,	Mat. Everitt,	B. W. Vick,
S. D. Phillips,	Benj. J. Houze,	Wm Musgrave,
Daniel Cogdell,	John E. Beckton,	J. W. Doyal,
F. H. Hooks,	C. M. Beard,	R. J. Gregory,
John Taylor,	J. W. Lancaster,	R. W. Best.

REMEMBRANCE DEGREE.

J. E. Jakeway.

ROYAL BLUE DEGREE.

J. W. Handly.

COVENANT DEGREE.

B. B. Bunting.

WHITE DEGREE.

David Cogdell, | Silas Webb. | Jackson Vincent.

INITIATORY DEGREE.

Aaron Jones,	J. J. Baker,	J. R. Hatch.

EUREKA LODGE, NO. 7.

PAST GRANDS.

Israel Disosway,	John Charlotte,	R. W. Choate.
J. Cicero Justice,	John Blackwell,	

SCARLET DEGREE.

J. J. H. Van Bokelen	Wm. P. Moore,	John B. Lewis.
Sam'l Bishop,	Edward H. Hurt,	Alex. C. Blount,
John C. Coart,	Thos. P. Ricaud,	Sam. W. Chadwick,
Israel Disosway,	David C. Cox,	C. C. Rhodes,
Joshua Denby,	Wm. H. Mayhew,	D. W. Goslee,
J. Hutchinson,	Ellsworth Hanks,	John Rumley,
William Hay,	T. S. Hughes,	John F. Hanff,
Ossian Hanks,	E. Hackburn,	J. N. Washington,
Sam'l L. Howland,	John Blackwell,	W. H. Washington,
E. John Huggins,	David W. Dudley,	Jesse D. Hines,
James C. Justice,	Thos. Woodley,	M. Stevenson, Jr.,
Charles P. Jones,	C. F. Simpson,	N. Washington,
G. F. Kornegay,	Fred. Morse,	Walter Duffy,
W. H. Schenck,	Willis Dewey,	A. C. Williams,
Lewis Phelps,	J. P. Wooten,	D. D. Surmond,
George W. Taylor,	Jos. W. Baxter,	John Creekman, Jr.,
C. J. White,	Charles G. Fields,	Seth W. Latham,
Thomas C. Wallace,	David W. Morse,	John Hancock,
Elijah Ferguson,	L. H. Missillier,	John D. Hornebleu,
Sam'l W. Wallace,	Alex. Miller,	D. W. Hurtt,
John Charlotte,	Emet Cuthbert,	J. L. Wallace,
R. F. Green,	Matthew Matthews,	A. Latham,
John R. Justice,	L. B. Heritage,	J. F. Bell,
Benj. M. Cook,	Wm. Ferrand,	Wm. T. Sparrow,
Thos. S. Howard,	T. J. B. Schenck,	Wm. H. Harvey,
John M. Oliver,	James E. Morriss,	M. F. Arundel.
R. W. Choate,	Thos. Richardson.	
J. J. Roberson,	W. J. Sparrow,	

COVENANT DEGREE.

James Jones,	J. G. Mumford,	B. S. Mace.
Joseph Hartwick.	Edgar Cuthbert,	Phillip Pipkin,

Alonzo J. Willis,	George J. Ward,	Furman Stowe.
James Rodin,	W. P. Pelletier,	
Fred. Dawson,	William Jones,	

WHITE DEGREE.

John Davis.

INITIATORY DEGREE.

Henry J. Lovick,	Thos. Green,	John Osgood,
N. Cottingham,	H. E. Wolfe,	Wm. Bailey,
Sam'l R. Street,	J. E. Blount,	John R. Bailey.
Adonis Caruthers,	John A. Gray,	
Henry Beaufort,	J. B. Smith,	

MANTEO LODGE, No. 8.

PAST GRANDS.

Ed. Yarborough,	Wm. H. McKee,	John H. Manly.
Wm. D. Cooke,	Perrin Busbee,	

SCARLET DEGREE.

E. Yarborough,	J. F. Jordan,	Rev. F. S. Campbell,
W. D. Cooke,	W. W. Holden,	R. B. Haywood,
J. J. Krause,	S. J. Person.	J. D. Royster,
*W. G. Kilkelly,	J. H. Manly,	*J. B. Littlejohn,
W. R. Scott,	R. P. Finch,	J. T. West,
W. L. Thayer,	I. Proctor.	Rev. C. F. Deems,
W. H. Jones,	*C. Grimme,	S. H. Rogers,
W. H. McKee,	George T. Cooke,	*J. C. B. Ehringhaus,
O. A. Buck,	T. M. Oliver,	James T. Marriott,
C. B. Root,	M. A. Bledsoe,	R. W. Haywood,
J. Woltering,	J. R. Williams,	W. D. Haywood,
J. W. B. Watson,	Perrin Busbee,	H. J. Brown.

ROYAL BLUE DEGREE.

P. F. Pescud,	O. L. Burch.	N. J. Warren,
J. M. Lovejoy.	E. Smith.	*B. B. Lewis.
H. Porter.		

COVENANT DEGREE.

W. M. Boylan.	J. J. Litchford.	J. W. Cosby.

S. H. Young, J. C. Palmer, W. W. Vass,
L. C. Manly, D. Allen, W. H. Watson.
J. J. Norcott, H. H. Hobbs,

WHITE DEGREE.

Robert Gray, R. H. Rogers.

INITIATORY DEGREE.

Samuel Ruffin, *W. B. Rodman, S. J. Ollis,
W. F. Andrews, J. S. Leathers, J. Horton,
L. Carmichael, S. M. Whitaker, Quinton Utley,
*L. H. Royster, W. F. Bason, W. F. Disbrow.

*Withdrawn by Card.

MECKLENBURG DECLARATION LODGE, NO. 9.

PAST GRANDS.

Joshua Trotter.

SCARLET DEGREE.

Alex. Bethune, Thomas Trotter, James Bryan,
A. R. Briard, L. S. Williams, James M. Davidson,
John A. Young, D. Ashbury, John Booth,
M. B. Taylor, A. Overman, Wm. L. Davidson,
John Hasty, C. E. Spratt, James A. Saddler,
E. H. Andrews, Wm. F. Davidson, J. P. Smith,
F. S. Weddington, Joshua Trotter, Wm. Hasty,
R. M. Robinson, T. F. Porter, Samuel E. Belk.

PHALANX LODGE, NO. 10.

SCARLET DEGREE.

Benj. F. Hanks, J. G. B. Myers, Job H. Watson,
O. W. Telfair, M. F. Van Nortwick Benj. F. Meekins,
George G. Brown, M. A. Robinson, James Norcom, Jr.,
T. H. Hardenbergh, J. H. Tyler, J. J. Doughty,
William H. Taylor, Lockwood Hyatt, F. B. Satterthwaite,
H. McCormick, John S. Hawks, David H. Dill,
William B. Myers, John B. Williams, Wm. B. Rodman,
B. Midyett, Wm. E. Demill, J. J. Norcott,
R. L. Myers, H. J. B. Clark, L. D. Crabtree,
L. H. Royster, Henry Hodges, J. Hodges,

R. H. J. Blount,	Jesse D. Beale,	G. Bernard,
N. W. Cook,	Henry G. Snell,	E. P. Patterson,
T. W. Richards,	J. W. Gaskill,	J. E. Blount,
Jesse H. Davis,	James S. Robbins,	Zeno H. Greene.

ROYAL BLUE DEGREE.

John B. Bonner,	Aaron W. Ernul,	Joseph T. Pugh.
John W. Simmons,		

COVENANT DEGREE.

Jonathan Havens,	Rodney Fulford,	William Allen.
John B. Ross,		

WHITE DEGREE.

C. C. Bonner,	W. A. Blount, Jr.,	Henry Dimock,
Stephen Fowler,	John H. Small,	Samuel Cratch.

INITIATORY DEGREE.

John F. Tompkins,	Edmund D. Hoover,	John A. Gaylord.
Archibald Craig,		

CONCORDIA LODGE, No. 11.

SCARLET DEGREE.

M. F. Arendell,	Brian Hellen,	S. F. Willis,
S. L. Howland,	Thomas Duncan,	John F. Jones,
D. W. Morse,	C. C. Delemar,	Benj. L. Perry,
Josiah F. Bell,	B. Chadwick,	D. H. L. Bell,
Borden D. Mace,	Matthias Phelps, Jr.,	George Dill,
J. W. Morgan,	Henry Rigger,	Wm. J. Fuller,
Benj. Leecraft, Jr.,	Brian Longest,	J. E. Howland,
Belcher Fuller,	W. F. Bell, Jr.,	Pierre Xate,
James Longest,	George Walker,	J. P. Thomas.

ROYAL BLUE DEGREE.

Horatio Willis.

COVENANT DEGREE.

R. S. Canaday,	Lonthey Nelson,	D. W. Whitehurst,
Rev. John Jones.		

INITIATORY DEGREE.

G. W. Morse, | Thos. Murray, Jr.

TRENT LODGE, No 12.

SCARLET DEGREE.

R. F. Green,	James C. Bryan,	F. L. Thomas,
L. H. Missillier,	William Pollock,	W. W. Francks,
Jesse D. Hines,	S. E. Koonce,	E. F. Sanderson.
A. C. Williams,	William Stanly,	

WHITE DEGREE.

Nathan A. Hooker.

INITIATORY DEGREE.

John A. McDannel.

FRANKLIN LODGE, No. 13.

SCARLET DEGREE.

J. B. Littlejohn,	B. L. Waddle,	J. H. Brodie,
P. S. Foster,	R. R. S. Lawrence,	J. J. Jones,
B. B. Lewis,	J. B. Sims,	T. D. Fleury.

ROYAL BLUE DEGREE.

W. Nobles.

COVENANT DEGREE.

T. J. Blacknel,	Y. Patterson,	C. Harris.
J. C. Wright,	W. Harris,	

WHITE DEGREE.

W. D. Battle.

NAMES AND ADDRESS OF THE GRAND OFFICERS.

WM. H. McKEE,	*M. W. Grand Master*,	Raleigh.
J. C. JUSTICE,	*R. W. Deputy Grand Master*,	Newbern.
JOHN McRAE, Jr.,	*R. W. Grand Secretary*,	Wilmington.
J. D. GARDNER,	*R. W. Grand Treasurer*,	"
BENJ. J. HOUZE,	*R. W. Grand Warden*,	Waynesboro'.
Rev. A. P. REPITON,	*R. W. Grand Chaplain*,	Wilmington.
WM. E. ANDERSON,	*R. W. Grand Representative*,	"
PERRIN BUSBEE,	*Alternate*,	Raleigh.
L. C. HUBBARD,	*W. Grand Conductor*,	Clinton.
ROBERT THOMAS,	*W. Grand Guardian*,	Wilmington.

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

1st District,	JETHRO BALLARD,	Wilmington.
3d "	JOHN SHAW,	Fayetteville.
4th "	JOSHUA TROTTER,	Charlotte.
6th "	JOHN C. B. EHRINGHAUS,	Elizabeth City.

ABSTRACT of the Quarterly Reports of the Subordinate Lodges.

Names of Lodges.	Number.	Where held.	Counties.	Time of Meeting.	Initiations.	Rejections.	Admitted by Card.	Withdrawn by Card.	Reinstatements.	Suspensions.	Expulsions.	Deaths.	Past Grands.	Amount of Revenue.	Number of Contributing Members.	No. of Bros. Relieved.	Wid'd Families Rel'd.	No. of Bro's Buried.	Amount paid for Relief of Brothers.	Amount paid for Relief of Widowed Families.	Amount paid for Educating Orphans.	Amount paid for Burying Dead.	Total amount of Relief.
Cape Fear,	2	Wilmington,	N. Hanover,	Tuesday,	13	7	4	6	1				20	$800 55	159	8	1		$248 00	$40 00	$00 00	$00 00	$288 00
Washington,	3	Murfreesboro',	Hertford,	Friday,	3	1	1	4			2		12	205 54	51	3			33 00				33 00
Cross Creek,	4	Fayetteville,	Cumberland,	Friday,	7	2		6				3	14	230 40	112	2		1	12 00		16 07	23 50	51 57
Thaddeus,	5	Warsaw,	Duplin,	Ev'y oth'r Friday,	21	1		1	1	1	2		6	350 00	42			3	54 00				54 00
Neuse,	6	Waynesboro',	Wayne,	Saturday,	18	4		1				1	5	414 01	36	6	2	1	48 00	21 00		30 00	99 00
Eureka,	7	Newbern,	Craven,	Wednesday,	30	10		1	1			1	5	1048 36	109	8		1	124 00			70 00	194 00
Manteo,	8	Raleigh,	Wake,	Friday,	26	1		6					5	689 77	60	1			10 00				10 00
Mec. Dec.,	9	Charlotte,	Mecklenb'g,		15								1	503 57	20								
Phalanx,	10	Washington,	Beaufort,	Friday,	24	7	2						1	505 20	31								
Concordia,	11	Beaufort,	Carteret,		28	5	6							477 66	34								
Trent,	12	Trenton,	Jones,												14								
Franklin,	13	Louisburg,	Franklin,												16								
					185	38	14	25	3	1	4	5	69	$5224 06	684	28	3	6	$529 00	$61 00	$16 07	$123 50	$729 67

INDEPENDENT ORDER OF ODD FELLOWS.

FRIENDSHIP, LOVE AND TRUTH.

ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

OF THE

RIGHT WORTHY GRAND LODGE

OF THE

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Held in Wilmington, May, 1848.

WILMINGTON, May 10th, 1848.

The R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina assembled at 11 o'clock this day in the Hall of Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, when the following Officers and Past Grand were found to be present:

WM. H. MCKEE,	*M. W. Grand Master,*
J. D. GARDNER,	*R. W. Grand Treasurer,*
Rev. A. P. REPITON,	*R. W. Grand Chaplain,*
BENJ. J. HOUZE,	*R. W. Grand Warden,*
L. C. HUBBARD,	*R. W. Grand Conductor,*

P. G. M's Alex. McRae, Sr., John McRae, Sr., and Israel Disosway, and P. D. G. M., Ed. Yarborough; and P. G's T. Burr, Jr., D. Cashwell, J. T. Miller, R. S. Thomas, D. McMillan, R. B. Haywood, W. S. G. Andrews, B. J. Houze, B.

W. Vick, A. B. Chesnutt, O. L. Fillyaw, O. W. Telfair, J. B. Littlejohn, B. F. Hanks, (*proxy,*) Jas. G. Cooke, and P. G., W. E. Anderson, Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of the United States.

The Grand Lodge was called to order by the M. W. Grand Master, and opened with prayer by the R. W. Grand Chaplain.

The following Representatives and Past Grands appeared, and their credentials having been examined and found correct, they were declared entitled to seats, viz:

Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, T. Burr, Jr., Rep.,
" " " " " Alex. McRae, Sr.,
" " " " " John McRae, Sr.,
" " " " " A. Paul Repiton,
" " " " " D. Cashwell,
" " " " " R. S. Thomas,
" " " " " J. T. Miller,
" " " " " D. McMillan.
Cross Creek " " 4, J. G. Cook, Rep.,
Thaddeus " " 5, A. B. Chesnutt, Rep.,
" " " " " O. L. Fillyaw,
" " " " " L. C. Hubbard,
Neuse " " 6, W. S. G. Andrews, Rep.,
" " " " " B. J. Houze.
Eureka " " 7, I. Disosway, Rep.,
Manteo " " 8, R. B. Haywood, Rep.,
" " " " " Edward Yarborough.
Phalanx " " 10, O. W. Telfair, Rep.,
" " " " " Benj. F. Hanks.
Trent " " 12, I. Disosway, (*proxy,*) Rep.
Franklin " " 13, J. B. Littlejohn, Rep.
Winchester " " 16, B. W. Vick, Rep.
Covenant " " 17, Benj. F. Hanks, (*proxy,*) Rep.

The reading of the proceedings of the last Annual Communication was dispensed with, and printed copies were furnished to each of the members.

The M. W. Grand Master read his Annual Report to the Grand Lodge as follows:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina;
Representatives and Past Grands:

Another year has past since we assembled in this Hall, and I congratulate you upon this return of our Annual Meeting. The duties incumbent upon the Grand Master, make it proper that he should lay before you a statement of the transactions of his office during the recess of this Grand Body: and to make such suggestions as he thinks the good of the Order may require, which I take much pleasure in doing, with the hope that it may meet with your approbation.

Soon after entering upon the duties of the Office of Grand Master, I received a petition from Trent Lodge No. 12, asking a dispensation to hold semi-monthly meetings instead of weekly. I at first refused to grant their petition, on the ground that the Constitution made no such provision: but upon examination of the proceedings of this body in 1844, I found that a similar one had been granted to Thaddeus Lodge, No. 5, by G. M. Worthington, which was afterwards sanctioned by the Grand Lodge, whereupon, I immediately wrote to the Secretary of Trent Lodge, and granted the dispensation.

The Noble Grand of Concordia Lodge, No. 11, addressed me a communication asking if the Five Brothers whom the Law requires to present their Cards to the Grand Master for a dispensation for a Lodge, at the time it is instituted, adopt the By-laws of another Lodge for their present government, if they should pay the usual fee as the Law requires of those who join by Card. I gave as my opinion, that they were exempt from paying the fee, on the ground that they constituted the Lodge proper, and had the right to adopt such laws for the future government of their Lodge as might be most conducive to the interest of the Order.

In July and August last, I received several communications, with the Resolutions passed at one of their meetings, from Phalanx Lodge, No. 10, requesting a special dispensation to hold a new election in the case of a candidate, who had been lawfully rejected by that body. I regretted that the law prevented me, under the circumstances, from granting their request. Being anxious to do so if within my power, without transcending my obligation, I wrote to the Grand Corresponding and Recording Secretary of the Grand Lodge of the United States, and laid the case before him, with the hope that I might get such information as would enable me to do justice to the spirit of the law of the Order, and the feelings and wishes of the Brothers of Phalanx Lodge. The Grand Secretary confirmed my opinion, and informed me that the Grand Master possessed no such power. The correspondence will be found marked A.

I wrote to the Representative, Bro. W. E. Anderson, in September, while in attendance upon the Grand Lodge of the United States at Baltimore, to lay before that Grand Body, the question of what they conceived to be the duty of a Grand Master during the recess of the Grand Lodge, and if they

were in fact the Grand Lodge Representatives during the annual recess, with power to grant special dispensations and suspend the General Laws? Brother Anderson's letter will be found marked B.

Since the last annual communication to this body, there have been issued dispensations for Henderson Lodge, No. 15, at Henderson, Granville County; Winchester Lodge, No. 16, at Rocky Mount, Edgecombe County; and Covenant Lodge, No. 17, at Greenville Pitt County. The first was instituted by myself in August last; the second by Past Grands P. Busbee, and J. H. Manly, they having received authority to do so; and the last by Past Grand Benjamin F. Hanks. The D. G. Master not being able to do so himself, he wrote to Brother Hanks and empowered him to institute the Lodge. As the dispensation will be submitted to you for further confirmation, I respectfully recommend that Charters be granted them.

In October I received a communication from the Noble Grand of Neuse Lodge, No. 6, with a copy of the proceedings of their Lodge, showing that a two-thirds vote had been given, after the necessary notice to the members, to remove their Lodge from Waynesboro' to Goldsboro', and asking a dispensation of the Grand Master to do so. Believing with the majority that it was for the general good of the Order, I granted the dispensation, of course subject to the confirmation of the Grand Lodge.

Their present Charter locates the Lodge at Waynesboro', and should you confirm the act it will be necessary that a new charter be granted them. I would also recommend that it be granted.

In July I drew a draft on the Grand Treasurer for $50 in favor of E. J. Hale, of Fayetteville, for printing the proceedings of this Grand Body at its last annual communication. Finding the stock of Books and Cards nearly out, I wrote to the Grand Corresponding and Recording Secretary at Baltimore, and ordered a supply, for which I drew upon the Treasurer for $49, being the amount of the bill against this Lodge for the Books and Cards. I also drew a draft for $20 the amount of dues to the Grand Lodge of the United States, and another for $60 to defray the expenses of Representative to the same. The total amount drawn from the Treasurer is $179.

During the past year I have received for dispensations and cards $94, and expended for instituting Lodges, postage and stationary, $15. I paid to the Treasurer, on the 13th November $45, leaving a balance in my hands of $34. There is due from Eureka Lodge, $6,25, for fifty withdrawal cards. The fee for the dispensation of Covenant Lodge, No. 17, was received by Brother Hanks, and paid over by him to the R. W. D. Grand Master.

A Resolution passed at the last session requiring the Subordinate Lodges to send an impression of their seals in wax to the Grand Master. I regret to have to state that but five Lodges have complied with the instructions, and I here present them to the Grand Lodge.

Having never heard whether the Grand Secretary had complied with the Resolution adopted at the last meeting of this body, instructing him to have one hundred copies of the proceedings of this Lodge in 1843 printed, and to distribute one copy to each Lodge and Grand Officer, I would recommend for your consideration the propriety of having all the proceedings of the Grand Lodge printed and bound up to the present time, (including the present session,) after the manner of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of the United States. Several of the State Grand Lodges having done so, and presented a copy to the Grand Lodge of the United States, I find that it was requested by that Grand body, at its last session, that all the State Grand Lodges would do so, as it would be the means of preserving a correct History of the Order within the States.

For the couvenience of the Grand Masters I would recommend that the Seal of the Grand Lodge and the Cards be deposited with the Grand Secretary, and that the Grand Master only be troubled with the Books of the work of the Order, and some blank dispensations signed, and the Seal attached by the Grand Secretary. The Lodges could then order Cards from the Secretary, and that officer keep the accounts and have them correctly stated at your annual communications. I find that several of the Subordinate Lodges have obtained Acts of Incorporation, and as they by their Charters, in case they should become extinct, forfeit their property to the Grand Lodge, I would recommend thet a committee be appointed by this Grand Body to petition the next Legislature for an Act of Incorporation of the Grand Lodge. For in case of any of the Incorporated Lodges forfeiting their Charter, or becoming extinct, and the Grand Lodge not being an Incorporated Institution, the property of such Subordinate Lodge would go to the University of the State.

As a Committee was appointed at the last session to revise the General Laws, I would suggest the propriety of having the Constitution also referred, with instructions to make such amendments as it may require for the better Government of the Grand Lodge and its Officers.

The Grand Lodge of the United States having confirmed the six months term at its last session, and instructed the work of the Order to be so amended, I adopted the semi-annual P. W.; commencing from the first of January last.

I find one obstacle to the more rapid progress of Odd Fellowship in our State. The Law requiring five Brothers to present their Cards to the Grand Master to obtain a dispensation, debars many from petitioning. I have received communications from Brothers who are living at a great distance from a Lodge, who have expressed their desire to have a Lodge instituted in their Towns, but for want of the proper number, they are compelled to forego the pleasure. From information I have received, there is, at this time, a greater zeal felt for the extension of the Order throughout the western part of the State, than at any other period of its existence in North Carolina.

In thus closing my official Report, I will remark, that I have entertained but one wish since my connection with Odd Fellowship, and that has always been for the triumph of our beloved Order. If I have given offence to any with whom I have had communication, either officially or privately, and especially as the presiding Officer of so honorable a body, I trust that they will not attribute it to a want of zeal, or of a proper fraternal spirit.—I hope that my successor may be one more efficient than myself, and that the Order will continue to prosper. With feelings of sincere regard for the Officers and Brothers, and for the fraternity generally, I remain fraternally yours, in the bonds of Friendship, Love and truth.

W. H. McKEE, *G. M.*

On motion, the above Report was referred to a Select Committee, consisting of Reps. T. Burr, Jr., R. B. Haywood, and J. G. Cook, to report at the next meeting.

The M. W. Grand Master appointed the following standing Committees:

Committee on Credentials.—Reps. I. Disosway, Edward Yarborough, and B. W. Vick.

On State of the Order.—Reps., Alex. McRae, Sr., T. Burr, Jr., and L. C. Hubbard.

On Finance.—Reps. A. McRae, Sr., D. Cashwell, and W. S. G. Andrews.

On Petitions.—Reps. A. McRae, Sr., Fillyaw, and Hanks.

On Returns of Subordinate Lodges.—Reps. W. S. G. Andrews, A. B. Chesnutt, and J. B. Littlejohn.

On Constitution and By-Laws.—Reps. T. Burr, Jr., J. T. Miller, and O. L. Fillyaw.

On Correspondence.—Rep. I. Disosway, Edward Yarborough, and J. B. Littlejohn.

On motion, of P. G. M., A. McRae, Sr.,

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed to report on the unfinished business.

Committee, Reps. John McRae, Sr., Cook, and Fillyaw.

On motion of P. G. M., A. McRae, Sr.,

Resolved, That Bro. G. A. Schwarzman, Noble Grand of Cross Creek Lodge, No. 4, be admitted to a seat on the floor of this Grand Lodge, as a spectator.

Which motion was by resolution laid on the table 'till afternoon.

On motion of Rep. T. Burr, Jr.,

Resolved, That it shall be the duty of the Secretary to furnish to the Chairman of each Committee appointed by this Grand Lodge, a notification of his appointment, with a list of the members composing said committee.

On motion the Grand Lodge adjourned to 2 o'clock, P. M.

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2 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Grand Lodge met according to adjournment.

PRESENT:

WM. H. MCKEE,	*M. W. Grand Master*,
B. J. HOUZE,	*R. W. Grand Warden*,
L. C. HUBBARD,	*R. W. Grand Conductor*,
Rev. A. P. REPITON,	*R. W. Grand Chaplain*,
" " " "	*R. W. G. Secretary*, pro tem.

P. G. M's A. McRae, Sr., John McRae, Sr., and I. Disosway; P. D. G. M., Edward Yarborough, and P. G's T. Burr, Jr., D. Cashwell, A. Bryant, J. T. Miller, W. O. Jeffries, A. B. Chesnutt, O. L. Fillyaw, B. W. Vick, W. S. G. Andrews, J. G. Cook, R. B. Haywood, O. W. Telfair, I. Disosway, (*proxy*,) B. F. Hanks, (*proxy*,) and J. B. Littlejohn.

Rep. Bryant tendered an invitation from Cape Fear Lodge, N. 2, to the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, to join them in their Anniversary Celebration, and an Excursion on to-morrow, 11th instant, which on motion, was received and accepted. And P. G., W. B. Vick, appointed Marshal of Grand Lodge.

On motion of P. G. M., Alex. McRae, Sr.,

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed to memoralize the Legislature of our State, at its next session, to Incorporate the Grand Lodge of the State of North Carolina, I. O. O. F., which was carried.

Committee, P. G's R. B. Haywood, Perrin Busbee, and J. H. Manly. When a motion was made that the M. W. Grand Master, Wm H. McKee, be added to said committee, which was carried.

The Select Committee to whom was referred the Report of the M. W. Grand Master submitted the following Report:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee to whom was assigned the task of classifying the M. W.

Grand Master's Report, have performed that duty, and ask leave to recommend that the following subjects be referred to the committees mentioned.

1. *The matter with regard to Phalanx Lodge No.* 10,—State of the Order.

2. *Granting Charters to Lodges opened under Dispensation,*—State of the Order.

3. *On Printing and Binding Proceedings of Grand Lodge,*—Committee on Finance.

4. *On depositing Seal and Card with Grand Secretary,*—Committee on Finance.

5. *On Incorporating Grand Lodge,*—Special Committee.

6. *On Revising General Laws and Constitution,*—To the Committee appointed last session.

Respectfully submitted,

R. B. HAYWOOD,
T. BURR, JR.,
JAMES G. COOK.

On motion of P. G. M., Alex. McRae, the above Report was received.

On motion of Rep., W. S. G. Andrews,

Resolved, That the Committee appointed last year to revise the General Laws be discharged from the further consideration of the subject. Adopted.

The Committee on the State of the Order, to whom was referred that portion of the Grand Master's Report recommending that Charters be granted to Henderson Lodge, No. 15, Winchester Lodge, No. 16, and Covenant Lodge, No. 17, beg leave to Report:

That, whereas the Returns of the said Lodges have been regularly made, and their dues paid; therefore,

Resolved, That Charters be granted to said Lodges.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ALEX. McRAE, SR.,
T. BURR, JR.,
L. C. HUBBARD.

The Resolution laid on the table to this afternoon's session, to-wit: That Bro. G. A. Schwarzman, Noble Grand of Cross Creek Lodge, No. 4, be admitted to a seat on the floor of this Grand Lodge as a spectator, was on motion, taken up and declared to be rejected, being in violation of the Laws of the Grand Lodge of the United States, which requires members of the Grand Lodge to be Past Grands, in order to a seat.

On motion of Rep. W. S. G. Andrews,

Resolved, That the Reports from the Subordinate Lodges in the hands of the Secretary be referred to the Committee on Reports of Subordinate Lodges:

To R. W. Grand Lodge:

At a regular meeting of Eureka Lodge, No. 7, I. O. O. F., held on Friday Evening, April, 28th, 1848, the following Resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That our Representative to the Grand Lodge, be requested to endeavor to obtain a reduction of the per centage paid by this Lodge; laying before them the fact that the increase of dues was made for the purpose of discharging debts necessarily incurred in building a Hall, &c., and that such an amount as exceeds that usually paid by the Lodges be the amount released from taxation.

(Signed,) C. J. WHITE, *Secretary.*

The above Resolution was referred to the Committee on Finance, who reported as follows:

The Resolution offered by Brother Disosway, of Eureka Lodge, No. 7, referred to the Committee on Finance, having been considered by said Committee, they beg leave to recommend the adoption of the following Resolution.

Resolved, That Eureka Lodge shall not be required to pay a per cent to this Grand Lodge, on the money raised by increasing her dues for the purpose of paying for her Lodge building. All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. McRAE,
D. CASHWELL,
W. S. G. ANDREWS.

On motion of Rep. R. B. Haywood,

Resolved, That the returns of the Secretary and Treasurer, be referred to the Committee of Finance.

The Committee on the State of the Order to whom was referred that portion of the Grand Master's Report referring to Phalanx Lodge, No. 10, beg leave to recommend, that article 31st of the General Laws be so explained that Lodges under this jurisdiction shall have power to order a re-ballot on the same evening in case two or more black balls shall appear, upon the suggestion of a Brother that a mistake may have occurred.

ALEX. McRAE,
T. BURR, Jr.,
L. C. HUBBARD.

On motion of P. G. M., I. Disosway,

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge confer upon the future Grand Masters of the State, the power to issue Dispensations for opening subordinate Lodges, in compliance with Section 6th, of Article 2d, Page, 46 of the Digest of the Laws of the Grand Lodge of the United States.

The Special Committee made the following report:

Your Committee beg leave to report that the following Resolution was offered at the last session of the Grand Lodge:

Resolved, That the 2d Section of Article 2d of the Constitution be so amended as to read as follows: "*Every subordinate Lodge shall pay at each Annual Communication, a sum not exceeding ten per cent on Initiations, Degrees, Dues, and Deposit*

Cards, the precise amount to be decided on by the Grand Lodge, at each Annual Convocation for the ensuing year."

The adoption of which, your Committee would respectfully recommend.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN McRAE,
JAMES G. COOK,
O. L. FILLYAW.

The above Report was laid on the table, and made the order of the day for Friday.

To R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

Neuse Lodge, No. 6, I. O. O. F. At a regular meeting of this Lodge, held May 6th, 1848, the following Resolutions were adopted.

Resolved, That our Delegate be instructed to vote for three months as the term of office in subordinate Lodges.

Resolved, That our Delegate be instructed to make application to the Grand Lodge for a Loan of $400 to assist us in building a Hall.

(Signed,) T. C. GARRISON, *Secretary.*

The above was referred to a Committee consisting of Reps. O. W. Telfair, L. C. Hubbard, and R. B. Haywood.

On motion, the Grand Lodge adjourned until Friday 9 o'clock, A. M.

Prayer by the R. W. Grand Chaplain.

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9 o'clock, *Friday Morning*, May 12.

The Grand Lodge met according to adjournment, and was opened with Prayer by the R. W. Grand Chaplain.

PRESENT:

Wm. H. McKee,	*M. W. Grand Master,*
Benj. J. Houze,	*R. W. Grand Warden,*
Rev. A. P. Repiton,	*R. W. Grand Chaplain,*
L. C. Hubbard,	*R. W. Grand Conductor,*
W. E. Anderson,	*R. W. Grand Representative.*

P. G. M's., A. McRae, John McRae, Sr., and I. Disosway, (*proxy,*) P. D. G. M., Edward Yarborough; and Reps. B. F. Hanks, (*proxy,*) R. B. Haywood, (*proxy,*) O. W. Telfair, R. B. Haywood, W. S. G. Andrews, J. B. Littlejohn, J. G. Cook, T. Burr, Jr., B. W. Vick, J. T. Miller, and O. L. Fillyaw.

The Committee on unfinished business made the following Report:

The Committee on unfinished business beg leave to Report, that they found the following resolution offered at the last meeting of the Grand Lodge by Representative Shaw, viz:

Resolved, That the 3rd Section of Article 12th of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of the State be so amended so as to read thus: "The vote by Lodges on any question or ballot for election may be required by any one Lodge."

Your Committee are of opinion that the Constitution should not be changed, unless for good and weighty reasons, and there do not appear to be such for altering the article referred to; they therefore recommend the rejection of the Resolution.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN McRAE,
JAMES G. COOK,
O. L. FILLYAW.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee on Credentials, to whom was referred a communication from Achoree Lodge, No. 14, requesting the acting Past Grand of Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, to represent the first named Lodge as proxy in the Grand Lodge of the State at its present session, respectfully Report, that they have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to offer the following Resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the request of Achoree Lodge be not complied with, said Lodge not having paid its dues.

Respectfully submitted,
I. DISOSWAY, *Chairman.*

On motion, the following Resolution was offered by Rep. O. W. Telfair, and concurred in:

Resolved, That the Name of the N. G. of Henderson Lodge be stricken out, and the name of the Representative of Manteo Lodge be inserted in the certificate of Henderson Lodge, No. 15.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee on Correspondence, respectfully report, that they have attentively examined the Correspondence of the Grand Master, also that of the Grand Secretary for the past year, and find nothing therein that demands action of this body.

Respectfully submitted,
I. DISOSWAY, *Chairman.*

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee on the Reports of Subordinate Lodges, have examined the Reports and find those of the following Lodges made out in due form, viz: Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2; Cross Creek Lodge, No. 4; Thaddeus Lodge, No. 5; Neuse Lodge, No. 6; Manteo Lodge, No. 8; Phalanx Lodge, No.

10; Trent Lodge, No. 12; Franklin Lodge, No. 13; Winchester Lodge, No. 16; Henderson Lodge, No. 15; and the following deficient, having forwarded no list of the names of their members, viz: Eureka Lodge, No. 7; Mecklenburg Declaration, No. 9; Concordia, No. 11; and the following have failed to report and pay in their dues, viz: Washington Lodge, No. 3; Achoree Lodge, No. 14.

Covenant Lodge was not bound to report, having been instituted in April.

Respectfully submitted,

W. S. G. ANDREWS, *Chairman.*

The Resolutions from Neuse Lodge were taken up, and the following Report submitted:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee to whom was referred the application of Neuse Lodge, No. 6, for a loan of Four Hundred Dollars, beg leave to report, that they consider the practice of loaning the funds of this Lodge to Subordinate Lodges, highly inexpedient. But on examining the minutes of this Grand Lodge, they find that Cape Fear and Eureka Lodges have each been granted a loan of Three Hundred Dollars; they therefore recommend that the sum of Three Hundred Dollars be loaned to Neuse Lodge, No. 6, on the same terms as the loan made to Cape Fear and Eureka Lodges, on their giving personal security, to be approved by the Treasurer, with the understanding, that in future no similar application will be granted by this Grand Lodge. Said loan to continue two years.

O. W. TELFAIR, *Chairman.*

The above Report was laid over for the Report of the Committee of Finance.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee to whom was referred the duty of examining the By-laws and Rules of Order of the Lodges under the jurisdiction of this Grand Body for the purpose of avoiding conflict with its Rules and Regulations, respectfully report, that with the exception of Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, the other Lodges in the State have failed to forward to this Communication copies of their By-laws for Inspection. They further Report that, that portion of the Article 5th of the By-laws of Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, relative to the nomination of Officers, is in violation of Article 8th, of the General Laws upon the same subject. They also discover in the Article 12th, of the same By-laws, which is as follows: "On balloting for a candidate if two or more black balls are found in the box, he shall be rejected without a question, and notice thereof shall be sent to the Grand Lodge, and all subordinate Lodges under her jurisdiction. If only one black ball be found he shall be declared elected," a violation of the Article 31st of the General Laws, a portion of which is to the following effect: "If after balloting there should be found but one black ball in the ballot box a second balloting may be had thereon,

if on the second balloting there should not be more than one black ball, the election shall lie over until the next meeting." They recommend that Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, be required to make the necessary alteration in its Code of Laws so as to prevent collision with the General Laws for the government of subordinate Lodges. They likewise recommend the adoption of the following Resolution.

Resolved, That hereafter all the Lodges under this jurisdiction be required to forward to every Communication of this Grand Lodge, a copy of its By-laws and Rules of Order. All of which is respectfully submitted.

T. BURR, Jr., *Chairman.*

An appeal was made from Franklin Lodge to this Grand Body; which on motion of Rep. J. B. Littlejohn, was referred to the Committee on the State of the Order.

On motion of Rep. O. W. Telfair,

Resolved, That every Representative of a Subordinate Lodge, shall at the time of his election be furnished with a certificate in the following form, viz:

..... LODGE, NO., ... I. O. O. F.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F., of the State of N. C.

This is to Certify, that P. G., ... has been duly elected a Representative of this Lodge to your Right Worthy Body, to serve for one year from the second Wednesday in May.

In testimony Whereof, I hereunto affix my hand,
L. S. and the Seal of our Lodge, this .....
day of .....

On motion of P. G. M., I. Disosway,

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge require its Subordinates to furnish its Past Officers with a copy of the following Certificate:

This is to Certify that our well beloved Brother ..... has served the regular term of ..... Lodge, No. ..... to the satisfaction of this Lodge and the credit of the Order, and is entitled to the above named Degrees.

Given under our hand, and the Seal of our Lodge, this ..... day of .....

L. S. ....., *N. G.*

....., *Secretary.*

The following Resolution, which was laid over, was taken up and adopted, viz:

Resolved, That the 2d Section of Article 2d of the Constitution, be so amended, as

to read as follows: *Every Subordinate Lodge shall pay at each Annual Communication a sum not exceeding ten per cent on Initiations, Degrees, Dues, and Deposit Cards; the precise amount to be decided on by the Grand Lodge at each Annual Convocation for the ensuing year.*

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina.

The Committee on the State of the Order, to whom was referred the appeal of W. D. Battle from the decision of Franklin Lodge, No. 13, beg leave to report that this appeal does not present any point upon which a decision of this Grand Lodge can be had. The appeal is not accompanied by any reason for a reversal of the decision of the subordinate Lodge.

The Committee therefore beg leave to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Respectfully submitted,

ALEX. McRAE,
T. BURR, Jr.,
L. C. HUBBARD.

On motion of P. G. M., Alex. McRae,

Resolved, That the Grand Treasurer be required to collect the amounts loaned to subordinate Lodges, and that the same be invested in some safe Bank Stocks, or other safe investment; which Resolution, on motion, was indefinitely postponed.

The Committee on the State of the Order, made the following Report, which was received, viz:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina.

The Committee on the State of the Order, beg leave to Report, that the amended Article of the General Laws for the Government of subordinate Lodges of N. C., which is to the following effect: "Any Brother of the Scarlet Degree in good standing, shall be eligible to any office in the subordinate Lodges, provided he has been a contributing member six months," is in violation of a Law of the Grand Lodge of the United States, which requires a previous service through the V. G's chair; but your Committee, for reasons which present themselves with great force to their minds, being strongly opposed to the tedious apprenticeship required by the Grand Lodge of the United States, before a Brother can be elevated to the chair of N. G., and believing that the weight of argument is decidedly in favor of the amended Article of this Grand Lodge, recommended the passage of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Representative of this Grand Lodge to the Grand Lodge of the United States be requested to use his best efforts to procure a repeal of the law mentioned in a previous portion of this Report, or have it so amended as to meet the requisition of the amended article of the Laws of the Grand Lodge of N. C.

All of which is submitted.

ALEX. McRAE,
T. BURR, Jr.,
L. C. HUBBARD.

On motion of Rep. B. J. Houze,

Resolved, That the Report be received, and the recommendation be adopted, which was carried.

On motion of Rep. R. B. Haywood,

Resolved, That the cordial thanks of this Grand Lodge be tendered to the members of Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, and Campbell Encampment, No. 1, for the hearty reception and generous hospitality extended by them to the members of this Grand Body, and that the Grand Secretary be requested to transmit a copy of this Resolution to the above named Lodges.

The following Resolution was offered and passed:

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary receive one hundred dollars for services per annum.

The following nominations for Officers for the ensuing year, were made, viz:

P. G.	J. B. Littlejohn	nominated	*P. G.*	B. F. Hanks	for	*Grand Master*,
"	O. L. Fillyaw	"	"	W. S. G. Andrews		*D. G. Master*,
"	A. P. Repiton	"	"	J. G. Cook	"	"
"	B. W. Vick	"	"	A. P. Repiton	for	*G. Secretary.*
"	A. McRae	"	"	D. McMillan	"	*G. Treasurer.*
"	T. Burr Jr.,	"	"	R. B. Haywood	"	*G. Warden.*
"	" "	"	"	B. L. Hoskins	"	*G. Chaplain.*
"	J. G. Cook	"	"	E. McNair	"	"
"	"	"	"	"	"	*G. Rep.*
P. G. M.	J. McRae	"	"	W. H. McKee	"	"
" " "	I. Disosway	"	"	T. Burr, Jr.,	"	"
" " "	A. McRae	"	"	J. T. Miller	"	*Pro. Rep.*
P. G.	B. W. Vick	"	"	J. H. Manly	"	*Alternate.*
P. G. M.,	I. Disosway	"	"	A. C. Blount	"	"
P. D. G. M.	Ed. Yarborough	"	"	T. Burr, Jr.,	"	"

On motion the Grand Lodge adjourned to 2 o'clock, A. M.

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2 o'clock, P. M.

The Grand Lodge met according to adjournment.

PRESENT:

Wm. H. McKee, *M. W. Grand Master*,
Rev. A. P. Repiton, *R. W. Grand Chaplain*,
Benj. J. Houze, *R. W. Grand Warden*,
L. C. Hubbard, *R. W. Grand Conductor.*

P. G. M's I. Disosway, John McRae, Sr., A. McRae, and Reps., T. Burr, Jr., B. F. Hanks, (*proxy*,) R. B. Haywood, O. W. Telfair, W. S. G. Andrews, J. B. Littlejohn, J. G. Cook,

B. W. Vick, D. Cashwell, J. T. Miller, and W. E. Anderson, Grand Representative to the Grand Lodge of the United States.

The Grand Representative to the Grand Lodge of the United States, made a verbal Report to this Grand Body.

On motion of Rep. R. B. Haywood,

Resolved, That our Representative to the Grand Lodge of the United States be instructed to ask a repeal of the six months term, and the adoption of three months system. Vote taken by Lodges and rejected by one: Yeas 5, Nays 6.

On motion of Rep. B. F. Hanks,

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Lodge are due, and are hereby tendered to P. G., W. E. Anderson, R. W. Grand Representative of this Gra d Lodge, in the Grand Lodge United States, for the able manner in which he has filled the station.

On motion of Rep. O. W. Telfair,

Resolved, That the Grand Treasurer be authorized to refund to Eureka Lodge, No. 7, such sum as it may be made to appear she is entitled to, by virtue of a Resolution adopted at the present session relieving a part of the return of her indebtedness to this Grand Lodge for the past year from taxation.

On motion of P. G. M., John McRae,

Resolved, That for the ensuing year, subordinate Lodges under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, shall be assessed and required to pay over to the Grand Treasurer, *five* per cent on their Initiations, Degrees, Deposit Cards, and Dues.

The Grand Lodge proceeded to ballot for Grand Officers, when the following was the result:

B. F. Hanks,	of No.	10,	*M. W. Grand Master,*
W. S. G. Andrews,	"	6,	*R. W. D. Grand Master,*
A. Paul Repiton,	"	2,	*R. W. Grand Secretary,*
D. McMillan,	"	2,	*R. W. Grand Treasurer,*
R. B. Haywood,	"	8,	*R. W. Grand Warden,*
Rev. E. McNair,	"	4,	*R. W. Grand Chaplain,*
W. H. McKee,	"	8,	*R. W. Grand Representative,*
John H. Manly,	"	"	*R. W. Grand Alternate,*
T. Burr, Jr.,	"	2,	*R. W. Grand Pro. Rep.*
A. C. Blount,	"	7,	" " *Alternate,*
O. W. Telfair,	"	10,	*R. W. Grand Conductor,*
B. W. Vick,	"	16,	*R. W. Grand Guardian.*

The Committee on Finance reported progress as follows, viz:

The Committee on Finance respectfully Report, that they have examined the accounts of the R. W. Grand Treasurer, and find that he has on hand, and a balance due the Grand Lodge. $416 46

Rec'd from Cross Creek Lodge, No. 4. 52 59

"	"	Thaddeus	"	"	5,		23 19
"	"	Cape Fear	"	"	2,		98 35
"	"	Neuse	"	"	6,		33 86
"	"	Manteo	"	"	8,		52 20
"	"	Henderson	"	"	15,		39 91
"	"	Winchester	"	"	16,		11 40
"	"	Franklin	"	"	13,		22 35
"	"	Covenant	"	"	17,	(For Dispensation,)	30 00

Total amount of Cash in hand $780 31

Washington and Achorce Lodges not Represented.

Due the Grand Lodge from Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2,								$300 00	
"	"	"	"	Eureka	"	"	7,	300 00	
"	"	"	"	Franklin	"	"	13,	47 57	$647 57

$1,427 88

Respectfully submitted, D. CASHWELL, *Chairman.*

On motion, the above report was received and adopted.

Sundry Bills were reported to the Grand Lodge, when they were submitted to the Committee on Finance, after which, on motion a resolution was passed to pay them.

On motion of Rep. O. W. Telfair,

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Lodge are due and are hereby tendered to our M. W. P. Grand Master, Wm. H. McKee, for the able and impartial manner in which he has presided over the deliberations of the body and discharged the other duties of his office as Grand Master.

The resolution touching the application of Neuse Lodge, as amended, was taken up after the Report of the Committee on Finance, and adopted.

On motion of Rep. A. Paul Repiton,

Resolved, That the amount paid by Cross Creek Lodge, No. 4, over and above what is required by this Grand Lodge, be refunded to them.

The Committee on Reports of Lodges submitted the following:

Your Committee to whom was referred the Consideration of Lodges not represented, respectfully submit the following, with the hope it may stir up their pure minds by way of remembrance.

Resolved, That all subordinate Lodges holding Charters and Dispensations granted by this Grand Lodge are required to represent by delegation or proxy, and to transmit to our Annual session their Returns, Reports, &c. D. CASHWELL, *Chairman.*

The following appointments of District Deputy Grand Masters, were then made by M. W. Grand Master, viz:

No. 1, James T. Miller, D. D. Grand Master,
" 3, Wm. Denby, " " "
" 4, Alex. Bethune, " " "
" 6, W. B. Harrell, " " "

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be required to contract for the printing of the Proceedings of this Grand Lodge in such manner as he may think most proper,—only providing that the contract shall be executed, and the work ready for distribution, by the 1st July.

The Committee on the State of the Order, concluded their Report as follows, viz:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee on the State of the Order to whom was referred that portion of the Grand Master's Report recommending that the Proceedings of this Grand Lodge be printed, &c., fully concur in the propriety of having the Proceedings published in such form that they may be readily referred to. Therefore,

Resolved, That Two Hundred copies of the Minutes of Proceedings, Constitution and Laws of this Grand Lodge, be printed and bound.

Resolved further, That a Committee of three be appointed to make a Digest of the Laws of the Grand Lodge, and have the same printed in the form of a supplement to the proceedings in the same volume.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

ALEX. McRAE, Sr.,
T. BURR, Jr.,
L. C. HUBBARD.

Rep. B. W. Vick, offered the following Resolution, which was carried, viz:

Resolved, That the next Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge be held in the Hall of Manteo Lodge, No. 8, in the city of Raleigh, on the second Wednesday in May next, and that our Representative to the Grand Lodge United States, be instructed to ask the consent of that Grand Body thereto.

On the above, a motion of indefinite postponement was made, and the vote taken by Lodges: Yeas 3, Nays 8.

A motion was then made to insert Cross Creek Lodge, No. 4, instead of Manteo Lodge, No. 8, which was rejected by a vote of Lodges: Yeas 1, Nays 11.

Rep. J. G. Cook asked leave to be excused from voting, which was granted.

The vote was then taken on the original, and adopted: Yeas 9, Nays 2.

On motion of P. G. M., I Disosway,

Resolved, That Section 5th, of Article 13 of the Constitution, be so altered as to

conform to the Laws of the Grand Lodge of the United States passed at the September session 1846, requiring State Grand Lodges to elect their Representatives for two years.

On motion of P. G. M., I. Disosway,

Resolved, That Reps. Busbee, McKee, and Haywood be appointed a Committee to revise the Constitution and By-laws.

On motion, the Grand Lodge adjourned to the 2d Wednesday in May next, to meet in the Hall of Manteo Lodge, No. 8, in the City of Raleigh.

After prayer by the R. W. Grand Chaplain, Rev. A. Paul Repiton, the Grand Lodge was closed in Friendship, Love, and Truth.

JOHN McRAE, *Secretary.*

LIST OF CONTRIBUTING MEMBERS,

Belonging to the Subordinate Lodges under the jurisdiction of the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina.

CAPE FEAR LODGE, NO. 2.

PAST GRANDS.

Alex. McRae, Sr.,
John McRae, Sr.,
John McRae, Jr.,
Thos. H. Howey,
Rev. A. P. Repiton,
Horace Burr,
J. D. Gardner,
Wm. O. Jeffreys,
Jethro Ballard,
David Cashwell,
S. D. Wallace,
Rev. B. L. Hoskins,
Wm. E. Anderson,
John C. Wood,
Alfred Bryant.
James T. Miller,
B. Sherman,
H. B. Davis,
D. McMillan.

SCARLET DEGREE.

Wm. E. Anderson,
E. N. Adkins,
T. J. Armstrong,
W. S. Anderson,
Horace Burr,
James Burch,
Jethro Ballard,
Jesse Bowden,
Alfred Bryant,
George Brown,
Henry Baker,
B. J. Bates,
T. D. Barry,
Wm. A. Burr,
T. Burr, Jr.,
J. M. Barnum,
J. E. Bunting,
E. J. Bernard,
Geo. F. Curtis,
H. M. Cowan.
A. A. Hartsfield,
H. S. Haines,
Rev. B. L. Hoskins,
T. J. Hartsfield,
Jas. L. Hathaway,
W. E. Hyde,
Wm. C. Howard,
J. J. Holdridge,
David Jones,
W. G. Jones,
W. O. Jeffreys,
W. B. Jones,
Richard J. Jones,
J. A. King,
Thos. F. King,
G. H. Kelly,
J. L. Keene,
W. G. Kilkelly,
D. A. Lamont,
Jonathan Lees.
J. T. Miller,
B. F. Mitchell,
L. Mallett,
A. T. McCallum,
W. Neff,
Henry Nutt,
A. F. Newkirk,
Hiram Nixon,
N. N. Nixon,
John Nutt,
H. R. Perrin,
S. P. Polly,
Gilbert Potter, Jr.,
Cyrus Packard,
R. Price,
W. J. Price,
John D. Powers,
Rev. A. P. Repiton,
A. B. Rothwell,
John T. Russ,

David Cashwell,
John P. Calder,
John Campbell,
John Christian,
T. F. Cotton,
Brooks Cousins,
J. S. Dunham,
H. B. Davis,
John H. Dall,
Owen Fennell,
Patrick Falon,
J. D. Gardner,
Henry Gilbert,
R. H. Grant,
T. F. Gause,
James Garrison,
T. L. Guess,
S. P. Gause,
T. M. Gardner,
Charles Grey,
Thos. H. Howey,
Leve A. Hart,
M. London,
W. J. Love,
George G. Lynch,
E. J. Lutterloh,
Joseph Lawton,
John C. Latta,
Robert Lindsay,
L. Meginney,
Cornelius Myers,
Joseph McLaurin,
Andrew McLane,
John McRae, Sr.,
John McRae, Jr.,
Alex. McRae, Sr.,
Alex. McRae, Jr.,
James Mahoney,
J. H. Millmore,
D. McMillan,
Alex. Matthews,
James McGary,
Hector McKellar,
David Reid,
J. B. Russell,
Rich'd Simpson,
Willliam Sutton,
F. Sullivan,
William Shaw,
William L. Smith,
William Stringer,
Abram Sherwood,
Job Tolman,
W. H. Taylor,
R. S. Thomas,
William Ware,
W. A. Walker,
W. Wilson,
S. D. Wallace,
W. A. Williams,
John C. Wood,
J. S. Williams,
John H. Wright,
J. C. Wheat,
W. J. Yopp.

REMEMBARANCE DEGREE.

James W. Johnson.

ROYAL BLUE DEGREE.

John C. Bowden,
Lorenzo Baker,
A. A. Brown,
John Crone,
S. W. Dunham,
D. Furgison,
William Marks,
James Perry,
I. Peterson,
J. B. Smith,
J. B. Leary.

COVENANT DEGREE.

Samuel Berry,
W. F. Burch,
W. Bailey,
Greer Bishop,
H. Burkhimer,
Edward Cantwell,
John Craig,
John J. Conoly,
W. D. Cowan,
W. F. Daskam,
Caleb Emery,
W. E. Kirkpatrick,
A. Mindell,
Jeremiah Nixon,
W. T. Newell,
Hiram Polley,
Robert G. Rankin,
D. W. Wood.

WHITE DEGREE.

J. C. Devane,
A. F. Toon.

INITIATORY DEGREE.

Samuel Andrews,	R. C. Hallett,	A. A. Warner,
J. D. Beatie,	Edward D. Hall,	W. A. Clardy,
A. O. Bradley,	William Keith,	Thomas Loring,
T. W. Brown,	Alex. Lamont,	Stewart Pipkin,
W. K. Cuckon,	Joseph S. Miller,	Joseph Wilkinson,
A. G. Dowd,	Thomas C. Miller,	John P. Clements.
R. M. Fillyaw,		

CROSS CREEK LODGE, NO. 4.

PAST GRANDS.

Rev. E. McNair,	Arch. McLean,	Henry Lilly,
James A. McRae,	Warren Winslow,	James G. Cook,
John McRae,	A. A. T. Smith,	Henry Branson,
J. B. Newby,	John Shaw,	Wm. T. Frizell.
John Winslow,	Duncan G. McRae,	

SCARLET DEGREE.

Evander McNair,	John D. Cameron,	N. K. McDuffie,
J. A. McRae,	Henry Branson,	John M. Stedman,
John McRae,	Charles Lutterloh,	William Marsh,
J. B. Newby,	Owen Houston,	G. A. Schwarzman,
Duncan G. McRae,	John Waddell, Jr.,	William T. Frizell,
Roderick McRae,	Charles Gardner,	H. B. Sedbury,
Arch. McLean,	W. W. Briggs,	R. W. Hardie,
James G. Cook,	S. W. Tillinghast,	Samuel A. Mims,
Dickson Evans,	Samuel G. Smith,	Robert Strange, Jr.,
Warren Winslow,	Thos. N. Cameron,	J. M. McDuffie,
B. F. Atkins,	Wm. J. Anderson,	John S. McDonald,
A. A. T. Smith,	Henry Lilly,	J. R. Little,
John McLaurin,	Duncan McNeill,	John Smith,
John Winslow,	John Shaw,	Malcom McNeill,
Amasa Alden,	John Jessup,	George Lauder,
J. L. Robinson,	Charles D. Nixon,	Nathan Williams,
W. C. Robinson,	John A. Rowland,	Alexander Kenner.
A. A. McKethan,	Daniel Gilchrist,	
Wm. S. Jessup,	David R. Bell,	

REMEMBRANCE DEGREE.

George McMillan,	Samuel A. Black,	James G. Smith.
James Sundy,		

ROYAL BLUE DEGREE.

D. T. Newby,
A. A. McDougald,
John McNeil,
Nathan King, Jr.,
David J. Taylor,
Daniel Culbreth,
J. P. Hodges,
Roderick Shaw,
Wm. McL. McKay,
Duncan McLaurin,
W. A. Banks,
J. Sandheimer,
T. D. Atkinson.

COVENANT DEGREE.

John C. Blocker,
A. P. McFadyen,
John Munn,
Wm. H. Hardin,
William Warden,
Absalom Davis,
C. H. Cofield,
Neil Smith,
John M. Hartman,
Hugh McPherson,
Thomas Johnson,
William Hartman,
Samuel Decker,
John J. Register,
A. E. Giersh.

WHITE DEGREE.

Amos Jessup,
James C. Dobbin,
Edwin Glover,
Benj. W. Smith,
Mathew Wilder,
Gurdon F. Webster,
Benj. F. Randolph,
John C. McDonald.

INITIATORY DEGREE.

John Chalmers,
William A. Hays,
S. S. Gilchrist,
Alexander J. Troy,
J. W. McAlister.

THADDEUS LODGE, NO. 5.

PAST GRANDS.

Thaddeus D. Love,
John D. Love,
Owen L. Fillyaw,
Lewis S. Herring,
L. C. Hubbard,
Amma B. Chesnutt,
Alfred Johnson.

SCARLET DEGREE.

George W. Atkins,
Isaac Boykin,
A. B. Chesnutt,
Love Culbreth,
John C. Carroll,
David D. Carroll,
O. M. Chesnutt,
Lewis F. Carr,
M. C. Conoly,
Owen L. Fillyaw,
T. J. Faison,
Lewis S. Herring,
T. J. Holland,
Calton Hall,
Rich'd C. Holmes,
L. C. Hubbard,
James C. Holmes,
Alfred Johnson,
T. J. Morisey,
J. M. Mosely,
W. J. Parker,
Dennis Parker,
T. L. Pugh,
W. E. Pugh,
Hardy E. Royal,
William Russell,
C. H. Stevens,

Matthew Crumpler,	Josiah Johnson,	W. L. Underwood,
B. Culbreth,	Thaddeus D. Love,	John B. Wright,
G. A. Dudley,	John D. Love,	Elias F. Shaw,
W. C. Draughon,	A. E. McKoy,	James H. Stevens.

ROYAL BLUE DEGREE

John L. Clifton,	J. H. Roberts.

COVENANT DEGREE.

Edwin F. Love,	Thomas L. Liddon.

WHITE DEGREE.

George W. Dyes.

INITIATORY DEGREE.

Arthur Brown,	Franklin J. Faison.

NEUSE LODGE, NO. 6.

PAST GRANDS.

John Taylor,	W. S. G. Andrews,	William Puryear.
Benj. J. Houze,	James W. Doyal,	

SCARLET DEGREE.

L. Peacock,	John E. Beckton,	R. J. Gregory,
Thos. C. Garrison,	C. M. Beard,	R. W. Best,
John Pike,	C. B. Stewart,	W. A. Jones,
F. L. Castex,	J. W. Lancaster,	John B. Griswold,
S. D. Phillips,	W. S. G. Andrews,	W. B. Whitfield,
John Taylor,	B. Pennington,	J. W. Davis,
C. J. Nelson,	John Wright,	J. B. Northum,
Wm. Hollowell,	Wm. Puryear,	G. L. Kornegay,
T. T. Hollowell,	W. R. Musgrave,	U. Granthum,
J. H. Everitt,	Rev. Aaron Jones,	B. J. Griswold,
Mat. Everitt,	J. W. Doyal,	J. M. Davis.
Benj. J. Houze,		

ROYAL BLUE DEGREE.

Jesse J. Baker,	P. L. W. Archer,	L. T. Hannum.
J. M. Handly,	William Pope,	

COVENANT DEGREE.

Silas Webb,	Simon Gay,	David Jones.
Elash Pipkin,		

WHITE DEGREE.

David Cogdell,	Henry Pope,	James Daniels.
Cullin Flowers,		

INITIATORY DEGREE.

Joseph R. Hatch,	D. E. Granthum,	Jesse Mayo,
Henry S. Hamlet,	Ezekiel Rogers,	W. P. Glasgow.
Thos. W. Brogden,	W. L. P. Heath,	

MANTEO LODGE, NO. 8.

PAST GRANDS.

Ed. Yarborough,	Wm. H. McKee,	P. Busbee,
Wm. D. Cooke,	Rich'd B. Haywood,	John H. Manly.

SCARLET DEGREE.

Wm. D. Cooke,	T. M. Oliver,	R. W. Haywood,
W. H. Jones,	Moses A. Bledsoe,	John W. Cosby,
Ed. Yarborough,	J. W. B. Watson,	W. D. Haywood,
Wm. R. Scott,	John R. Williams,	W. W. Vass,
Wm. H. McKee,	P. Busbee,	H. J. Brown,
R. Gray,	P. F. Pescud,	W. H. Watson,
O. A. Buck,	T. S. Campbell,	G. W. Hawkins,
C. B. Root,	O. L. Burch,	P. H. Haywood,
Joseph Waltering,	R. B. Haywood,	B. B. Allen,
Wm. W. Holden,	J. D. Royster,	W. H. H. Tucker,
C. Grimme,	John T. West,	A. B. Brantly,
James F. Jordan,	Rev. C. F. Deems,	W. W. Morrison,
John H. Manly,	Sion H. Rogers,	John W. Johnson,
R. P. Finch,	D. W. Allen,	W. F. Wolstenholm,
Isaac Proctor,	J. T. Marriott,	Rev. P. H. Joyner.
George T. Cooke,	H. H. Hobbs,	

ROYAL BLUE DEGREE.

H. Porter,	W. Newton,	John G. Williams.
E. Smith,	M. B. Royster,	

COVENANT DEGREE.

Wm. M. Boylan,
J. M. Lovejoy,
S. H. Young,
J. J. Litchford,
John C. Palmer,
J. Horton,
A. G. Thornton.

WHITE DEGREE.

R. H. Rogers.

INITIATORY DEGREE.

L. C. Manly,
W. F. S. Alston,
L. Carmichael,
J. S. Leathers,
Quinton Utley,
Albert Johnson,
James Pace,
J. A. Jumel,
J. R. Thompson,
J. H. Kincey,
John H. Boylan,
J. R. Utley,
David Hinton,
L. B. Sanders,
N. W. Northam,
J. L. Williamson,
David Parrish,
R. B. Sanders,
A. J. Mial,
Henry J. Clark,
J. E. Hargrave,
James E. Allen.

PHALANX LODGE, NO. 10.

PAST GRANDS.

Benj. F. Hanks,
O. W. Telfair

SCARLET DEGREE.

Benj. F. Hanks,
O. W. Telfair,
George H. Brown,
T. H. Hardenbergh,
Hiram McCormick,
W. B. Myers,
Banister Midyett,
R. L. Myers,
L. H. Royster,
R. L. H. J. Blount,
Jonathan Havens,
John B. Ross,
N. W. Cook,
Jesse H. Davis,
John G. B. Myers,
M. F. Van Nortwick
Moses A. Robeson,
James H. Tyler,
Benj. F. Meekins,
James Norcom, Jr.,
John J. Doughty,
Rodney Fulford,
David H. Dill,
Wm. Allen,
Wm. B. Rodman,
Lemon D. Crabtree,
Archibald Craig,
John B. Bonner,
John W. Simmons,
Joseph B. Hodges,
Germain Bernard,
A. W. Ernul,
E. P. Patterson,
Stephen Fowler,
Joseph T. Pugh,
John H. Small,
B. F. Tripp,
Josephus Tripp,
B. T. Bonner,
Wm. S. Corden,
John Norcom,
John Meekins,
John Tyler,
N. H. D. Wilson,
W. Z. Morton,
George R. Dixon,
William T. Pake,
Elihu Forbes,
William R. Tripp,
Justin E. Jones,
George Turner,
T. A. Demill, Sen.,
T. J. Fitchett,
Asa Peartree,

Lockwood Hyatt,	Henry Dimock,	C. W. Hammond,
John S. Hawks,	Samuel Cratch,	L. L. Holmes,
John B. Williams,	John A. Gaylord,	Reuben Tripp,
Henry J. B. Clark,	H. A. Ellison,	J. G. Williams,
Wm. E. Demill,	T. A. Demill, Jr.,	T. H. Hawks,
Henry Hodges,	Wm. H. Smith,	E. W. Jones,
Jesse D. Beale,	David A. Telfair,	Henry Clements,
Henry G. Snell,	John R. Patrick,	Daniel Reid,
J. W. Gaskill,	James Simmons,	F. W. Moore,
James S. Robbins,	Wm. C. Moore,	James L. Fowle,
Job H. Watson,	Thomas D. Smaw,	William H. Taylor.

ROYAL BLUE DEGREE.

B. J. Parmale,	Richard T. Rea,	John McGowan.

COVENANT DEGREE

John F. Tompkins,	Charles S. Robeson,	James Peartree,
J. S. McWilliams,	John S. Gaskill,	Anthony Nadal,
John Carmalt,	W. J. Ellison,	Henry L. Harvey.

WHITE DEGREE.

C. C. Bonner,	S. S. Satchwell,	J. R. Stubbs,
W. A. Blount, Jr.,	Thomas Fenter,	R. H. Bennet.
S. T. Brown,	John Wolfenden,	

INITIATORY DEGREE.

Stephen Doughty,	B. F. Fessenden,	B. F. Styron,
Daniel Wharton,	Josephus Wallace,	J. H. Archibald.
Moody B. Smith,	N. Beckwith,	

FRANKLIN LODGE, NO. 13.

SCARLET DEGREE.

Peter S. Foster,	W. C. Wright,	W. E. Jones,
J. B. Littlejohn,	Rev. J. D. Fleury,	E. Speed,
B. B. Lewis,	Rev. R. C. Maynard,	Willis Perry,
B. L. Waddle,	Warren Nobles,	J. S. Yarbrough,
R. R. S. Lawrence,	Washington Harris,	W. L. Tarry,
J. B. Sims,	Cyrus Harris,	M. N. Harrison,
John H. Brodie,	Young Patterson,	Isaac H. Davis,
J. J. Jones,	W. B. Foster,	W. E. Person.

ROYAL BLUE DEGREE.

A. M. Lewis, DeWitt C. Stone, J. J. Harper.
Rickey Furman,

COVENANT DEGREE

M. Larkford, J. J. Thomas.

WHITE DEGREE.

W. D. Copprage, George Tunstall.

INITIATORY DEGREE.

Wright Young.

ACHOREE LODGE. NO. 14.

SCARLET DEGREE.

G. J. Musgrave,	S. D. Grice,	J. E. Weeks,
W. F. Martin,	Jas. S. Gautier,	Wm. P. Mathews,
J. M. Mathews,	S. Davis,	S. S. Griggs,
Jos. H. Pool,	A. H. Curan,	A. W. Jones,
Jas. C. Scott,	L. K. Saunders,	Haman Hinds,
J. C. B. Ehringhaus,	Wm. H. Clark,	James A. Harrell,
John Pool,	Wm. Simmons,	D. D. Simmons.
Wm. B. Harrell,	Robert J. Saunders,	

ROYAL RLUE DEGREE.

C. C. Jackson.

COVENANT DEGREE.

Wm. E. Mann, John Sterling, B. J. Shannonhouse.

WHITE DEGREE.

Rev. S. Field, J. Commander, G. W. Stone.
Wm. A. Mullen,

INITIATORY DEGREE.

George Poiner, E. Williams, David Lindsey.
E. C. Lindsey, A. W. Banks,

WINCHESTER LODGE, NO 16.

PAST GRAND.

B. W. Vick.

SCARLET DEGREE.

B. W. Vick,	E. G. Armstrong,	W. L. Qualls.
D. Ferguson,	W. H. Hines,	H. L. Williford,
B. C. Wasson,	B. B. Lawrence,	J. W. Taylor.
S. E. Jakway,		

ROYAL BLUE DEGREE.

Robert Ricks.

No returns of members from No. 3, 7, 9, 11, 12, 15.

ABSTRACT of the Reports of the Subordinate Lodges working under the jurisdiction of the R. W. Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F., of the State of North Carolina, commencing 1st January, 1847, and ending 31st December, 1847.

Names of Lodges.	Number.	Where held.	Counties.	Time of Meeting.	Initiations.	Rejections.	Admitted by Card.	Withdrawn by Card.	Reinstatements.	Suspensions.	Expulsions.	Deaths.	Past Grands.	Amount of Revenue.	Number of Contributing Members.	No. of Bros. Relieved.	Wid'd Families Rel'd.	No. of Bro's Buried.	Amount paid for Relief of Brothers.	Amount paid for Relief of Widowed Families.	Amount paid for Educating Orphans.	Amount paid for Burying Dead.	Total.
Cape Fear,	2	Wilmington,	N. Hanover,	Tuesday,	23	6	2	6	2		6		22	$983 58	178	3	1		$63 00	$25 00	$92 00	$00 00	$180 00
Washington,	3	Murfreesboro',	Hertford,	Friday,	4		2	6			1		12	247 46	49	5			22 03				22 03
Cross Creek,	4	Fayetteville,	Cumberland,	Friday,	6	1	1	15		1	1	2	14	525 94	100	6		1	33 00				33 02
Thaddeus,	5	Clinton,	Sampson,	Friday,	7	1				4	1		8	231 98	45	9			48 00				48 00
Neuse,	6	Goldsboro',	Wayne,	Saturday	23	2	1	9		1		1	5	338 67	47	3	1	1	15 00			20 00	35 00
Eureka,	7	Newbern,	Craven,	Friday,	8	2	1	11					8	735 60	106	6			48 00		16 00	20 00	84 00
Manteo,	8	Raleigh,	Wake,	Friday,	27	3	2	6	1	1	1		7	522 05	65	1			50 00				50 00
Mec. Dec.,	9	Charlotte,	Mecklenb'g,	Tuesday,	35	4	2	5		1		1	3	625 03	51	10	1	1	71 00	41 00	19 00		131 00
Phalanx,	10	Washington,	Beaufort,	Friday,	79	10	3	2					2	1691 05	111	14			194 00			20 00	214 00
Concordia,	11	Beaufort,	Carteret,	Friday,	18	4	1						1	415 32	53	1			3 00				3 00
Trent,	12	Trenton,	Jones,	Friday,	12	1		1					1	244 84	15								
Franklin,	13	Louisburg,	Franklin,	Wednesday,	36	3		3	1	1	1		2	699 23	33								
Achoree,	14	Elizabeth City	Pasquotank,	Friday,	29	4	7						1	571 79	35	1			14 50				14 50
Henderson,	15	Henderson,	Granville,	Saturday,	20	4	2	1				1	1	399 16	21	1		1	15 00			20 00	35 00
Winchester,	16	Rocky Mount,	Edgecombe,	Saturday,	4	1	7						1	114 00	11								
Covenant,	17	Greenville,	Pitt,	Friday,																			
					331	46	31	65	4	9	11	5	88	$8345 70	920	60	3	4	$576 53	$66 00	$127 00	$80 00	$849 53

INDEPENDENT ORDER OF ODD FELLOWS.

FRIENDSHIP, LOVE AND TRUTH.

ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

OF THE

RIGHT WORTHY GRAND LODGE

OF THE

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Held at the City of Raleigh, May, 1849.

WEDNESDAY, May 9th, 10 o'clock, A. M.

The R. W. Grand Lodge of North Garolina assembled at 10 o'clock this day in the Hall of Manteo Lodge, No. 8, when the following Officers and Past Grands were found to be present:

BENJAMIN F. HANKS,	*M. W. Grand Master.*
W. S. G. ANDREWS,	*R. W. D. Grand Master.*
A. PAUL REPITON,	*R. W. G. Secretary.*
RICHARD B. HAYWOOD,	*R. W. Grand Warden.*
WILLIAM H. McKEE,	*R. W. G. Representative.*
JOHN H. MANLY,	*R. W. Grand Alternate.*
O. W. TELFAIR,	*W. Grand Conductor.*

Past Grand Masters, Israel Disosway, and R. H. Worthington. *Past Deputy Grand Master*, Edward Yarborough. *Past Grand Secretary*, J. B. Newby, and *Past Grand*, John C. Wood.

The Grand Lodge was called to order by the M. W. Grand Master, and opened with prayer by the Rev. A. Paul Repiton.

The Grand Master appointed the following Committee on Credentials—viz: Reps. I. Disosway, J. C. Wood and W. H. McKee.

The *Committee on Credentials* submitted the following report, which on motion was adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

To the Right Worthy Grand Lodge:

The Committee appointed to examine the Credentials of Past Grands and Representatives Report, that the following have been submitted to them and found correct:

LODGES.	NO.	REPRESENTATIVES.
CAPE FEAR,	2	JOHN C. WOOD,
WASHINGTON,	3	R. H. WORTHINGTON, P. G. M.
CROSS CREEK,	4	S. G. SMITH,
THADDEUS,	5	ALFRED JOHNSON,
NEUSE,	6	WILLIAM M. PURYEAR,
MANTEO,	8	JOHN H. MANLY,
"	"	WILLIAM D. COOKE,
MECKLENBURG DECLA'N,	9	ALEXANDER BETHUNE,
PHALANX,	10	THOMAS H. HARDENBERGH,
FRANKLIN,	13	J. B. LITTLEJOHN,
ACHOREE,	14	W. H. McKEE, P. G. M. (proxy.)
COVENANT,	17	O. W. TELFAIR,
SMYRNA,	18	I. DISOSWAY, P. G. M. (proxy.)
MOUNTAIN,	19	E. YARBOROUGH, P. D. G. M. (pr.)
MUCHUENA,	20	JULIUS WILCOX,
BUENA VISTA,	21	R. B. HAYWOOD. (proxy.)

The Committee from evidence in their possession, find that *Past Grand Master*, I. Disosway, in the absence of the Representative elected, has been requested to Represent Eureka Lodge, No. 7, and recommend that the request be complied with.

From a communication from Buena Vista Lodge, No. 21, they find that *Past Grand Master*, I. Disosway, has been requested to act as Representative of that Lodge, but as he is already Representative by proxy of Smyrna Lodge, No. 18, they suggest that *Past Grand* R. B. Haywood be appointed in his place.

The Committee have also examined Certificates, stating that Alfred Johnson, of Thaddeus Lodge, No. 5, is entitled to the P. V. G. and P. G. Degrees; and that Thomas H. Hardenbergh of Phalanx Lodge, No. 10, is

entitled to P. Sec. P. V. G. and P. G. Degrees, and that William M. Puryear, of Neuse Lodge, No. 6, is entitled to the P. G. Degree.

The Committee find these certificates correct, and recommend that the several Degrees be conferred.

Respectfully submitted,

I. DISOSWAY,
J. C. WOOD,
W. H. McKEE.

The following *Past Grands* presented their Certificates, viz:

A. Bethune,	of Mecklenburg Declaration	Lodge, No. 9.
John H. Manly,	of Manteo	Lodge No. 8.
William D. Cooke,	" "	"
Thomas H. Hardenbergh,	of Phalanx	Lodge No. 10.
Julius Wilcox,	of Muchuena	Lodge No. 20.
Alfred Johnson,	of Thaddeus	Lodge No. 5.
William M. Puryear,	of Neuse	Lodge No. 6.

Rep. W. H. McKee, of Manteo Lodge, No. 8, offered the following resolution, which was agreed to:

Resolved, That the Grand Lodge Degree be conferred according to our Laws, upon the Past Grands present, as a reward for past services.

The G. L. Degree was accordingly conferred on the respective Past Grands.

Rep. W. H. McKee, submitted the following resolution, which was agreed to:

Resolved, That Bro. James D. Royster, Scarlet member of Manteo Lodge, No. 8, have the Grand Lodge Degree conferred upon him, and that he be appointed Steward to the same.

The M. W. G. Master presented the following, being his Annual Report, which being read, was on motion referred to a Select Committee of three, for the purpose of distributing the several subjects therein referred to, to appropriate Committees.

GRAND MASTER'S REPORT.

To the Right Worthy Grand Lodge of the State of North Carolina:

In compliance with a custom, which by use has grown into a law, it becomes my duty to lay before you a report of my official acts for the past year. The fact that the Representatives in the G. L. U. S. will, for the first time, make a detailed written report of the doings of that body, will preclude the necessity of a lengthened communication from me. During the time that I have been in office, Dispensations have been granted for six Lodges.

The first in order is Smyrna Lodge, No. 18 which is located at Smyrna, Carteret County, and which was duly instituted by *P. G.*, M. F. Arendell, of of Concordia Lodge, No. 11, on the 20th of June.

The next is Mountain Lodge, No. 19, which is located at Lincolnton, and was duly instituted by *D. D. Grand Master*, Alexander Bethune, on the 23d of September. Muchuena Lodge, No. 20, was instituted on the 20th of September, by *P. G.*, R. W. Choate, of Eureka Lodge, No. 7, and is located at Warrenton.

The next is Buena Vista Lodge, No. 21, which is located at Greensboro', and the duty of instituting the Lodge and installing the officers was performed by *P. G. Master*, I Disosway, on the 4th of June.

Tuscarora Lodge, No. 22, was opened on the 16th of March, by your chief officer and is located at Kinston.

Tryon Lodge, 23, is located at Rutherfordton, and was instituted by *D. D. Grand Master*, Alexander Bethune, on the 4th of April.

The reports from the different officers who instituted the several Lodges, will be found with the correspondence of your chief officer, which is herewith submitted to this Grand Body; and I would here remark, that I am under many obligations to the brethren who have assisted me in the performance of my duties.

The above named Lodges are all in a flourishing condition, as far as I have heard from them, and I would respectfully recommend that charters be granted them. During the year I have granted a dispensation to Winchester Lodge, No. 16, to change the time of holding their regular meeting from Friday to Saturday night; and I have also granted dispensations to Phalanx Lodge, No. 10, and Neuse Lodge, No. 6, to hold their regular meetings during Court weeks on Tuesday nights, so as to allow the brethren from the country an opportunity of attending the regular meetings of their Lodges early in the week, as the former Lodge holds its regular meeting on Friday and the latter on Saturday night. I have also granted a dispensation to Eureka Lodge, No. 7, to have Lectures delivered in their Lodge "for the good of the order." All the above dispensations were granted, subject to the approval of this Grand Lodge.

I would respectfully call the attention of this Grand Body to Sec. 11 Article 1, Division 3d. page 45 of the Digest of the Laws of the G. L. U. S. for the government of Grand and Subordinate Lodges, as some of the Lodges under this jurisdiction do not comply with the requisitions of that law.

I would also call the attention of this Grand Body to the 33d Article of the General Laws for the government of Subordinate Lodges of this State, which will be found to be in direct conflict with the Laws of the G. L. U. S.

There have been three orders drawn on the Grand Treasurer since the last Annual Communication: One in favor of Wm. H. McKee, Grand Representative, for eighty dollars—one in favor of T. Burr, Grand Represen-

tative, for the same amount. The last was an order for three hundred dollars, for Neuse Lodge, No. 6, it being the amount loaned that Lodge at the last communication.

Finding the stock of books on hand would soon be exhausted, I ordered a supply from the C. and R. Secretary of the G. L. of the U. S. which amounted to $25. This bill I have left unpaid, as he has rendered a bill against the Grand Lodge for $106 12, besides the bill of books. As this debt or part of it was contracted before I came into office, I did not feel myself authorized to draw on the Grand Treasurer for the amount, and herewith submit the matter to your consideration.

During the past year I have received for Dispensations granted to Lodges $180, and have received from Phalanx Lodge, No. 10, for dues $36,60, making the sum of $214,60; and I have paid out, for instituting Lodges, $129,65, and to the Grand Treasurer $60, and two other small bills, amounting to $9; leaving a balance in my hands of $15,95, as will be seen by the account herewith submitted for your inspection.

As some of the Lodges under this jurisdiction do not make out their reports and forward their dues in proper time, I would suggest that hereafter the G. M. be required to appoint an installing officer for each Lodge, under his jurisdiction, and that such officer so appointed shall not be allowed to install the officers nor give the P. W. to any Lodge until their report is made out and handed to him, with the amount of dues.

For the purpose of securing a more full and prompt attendance of Representatives from Lodges as well to equalize the expenses incident to such representation, I would respectfully suggest the propriety of this Grand Lodge paying the expenses of the Representatives. One effect of such enactment will be to give permanency to the location of the Grand Lodge —another, to insure a representation from all the Subordinates.

Among the resolutions of this Grand Lodge, is one passed at its first session, requiring the surplus funds to be put out at interest for a specific purpose, viz: "For the education of orphan children." As this resolution has not been fully complied with, I beg to call your attention to it. Other resolutions are falling into disuse, among them one requiring the publishing with your Annual Proceedings, "the names and address of all the officers of the Grand Lodge."

The above is respectfully submitted, in F. L. and T.

BENJAMIN F. HANKS, *G. M.*

Raleigh, May 10, 1849.

The Chair named the following as the committee on the above report: Rep. Cooke, of Manteo Lodge, Disosway, of Eureka Lodge, and Telfair of Covenant Lodge.

The Chair announced the following as the Standing Committees:

Committee on Credentials.—Reps. I. Disosway, John C. Wood and Wm. H. McKee.

Committee on the State of the Order.—Reps. J. B. Newby, W. S. G. Andrews and T. H. Hardenbergh.

Committee on Petitions.—Reps. O. W. Telfair, R. B. Haywood and John H. Manly.

Committee on Returns and Reports of Subordinate Lodges—Reps. Edward Yarborough, Alex. Bethune, and W. D. Cooke.

Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.—Reps. Thos. H. Hardenbergh, Wm. H. McKee and J. B. Littlejohn.

Committee on Correspondence.—Reps. Israel Disosway, A. Johnson and J. H. Manly.

Committee on Subordinate Lodges not reported.—Reps. R. H. Worthington, John C. Wood and W. M. Puryear.

Committee on Finance.—Reps. W. D. Cooke, J. Cicero Justice and T. H. Hardenbergh.

The Special Commmittee on the Annual Communication of the M. W. Grand Master, submitted the following Report:

The Committee to whom was assigned the duty of classifying the M. W. Grand Master's Report, have performed that duty and beg leave to recommend that the following subjects be referred to the Committees specified—viz:

1st. On granting charters to Lodges working under Dispensation from the Grand Master. To Committee on Petitions.

2d. On altering the time of meeting of Winchester Lodge, No. 16, Phalanx Lodge, No. 10, and Neuse Lodge, No. 6. To Committee on the State of the Order.

3d. On granting to Eureka Lodge, No. 7, the privilege of having Lectures delivered in the Lodge. To Committee on the State of the Order.

4th. So much of the Report as refers to the 1st Article, 11th Section, Division 3d, of the Digest. To Committee on the State of the Order.

5th. On the 33d Article of the General Laws of the Grand Lodge of the State for the government of Subordinate Lodges. To a Special Committee of Three.

6th. So much as refers to orders drawn on the Grand Treasurer, and monies received by the Grand Master, also the bill for Books furnished by the Grand Lodge of the U. S. To Committee on Finance.

7th. On Returns and Reports from Subordinate Lodges and the appointment of Installing Officers for each Lodge. To a Special Committee of Three.

8th. On paying the expenses of Representatives. To a Special Committee of Three.

9th. On Resolutions that are falling into disuse. To the Grand Secretary, with instructions to see that these Resolutions are complied with.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. D. COOKE,
I. DISOSWAY,
O. W. TELFAIR.

On motion, the above Report was received.

Rep. T. H. Hardenbergh, of Phalanx Lodge, No. 10, offered the following Resolution, which was agreed to.

Resolved, That one hundred copies of the Grand Master's Report be printed for the use of the members of the Grand Lodge.

The Chair announced the following Special Committee on that part of the G. M's. Report relating to Returns and Reports of Subordinate Lodges, and the appointment of Installing Officers for each Lodge: Reps. J. H. Manly, A. Johnson and W. S. G. Andrews.

The Chair announced the following Special Committee on G. M's. Report on defraying the expenses of the Representatives: Reps. R. H. Worthington, J. B. Littlejohn and J. B. Newby.

The Chair announced the following Special Committee on the 33d Article of the General Laws: Reps. R. B. Haywood, W. M. Puryear and Alexander Bethune.

On motion the Grand Lodge adjourned to 8 o'clock, P. M.

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8 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Grand Lodge met according to adjournment. Present: all the officers, and a quorum of Representatives from the different Lodges.

Rep. S. G. Smith presented his certificate of having passed the Chair of N. G. in Cross Creek Lodge, No. 4, when, on motion, he was introduced and received the Grand Lodge Degree. Also was recognized as Representative of said Lodge.

The Committee on Returns and Reports submitted the following Report, which, on motion was received:

To the Right Worthy Grand Lodge:

The Committee on Reports and Returns beg leave to Report that the Semi-Annual Reports from January 1st, 1848, to June 30th, 1848, of the following Lodges, are found to be made out in proper form—viz:

MANTEO LODGE, No. 8,
PHALANX " " 10,
CONCORDIA " " 11,
FRANKLIN " " 13,
ACHOREE " " 14.

The following, for the same period, have no seal attached to them—viz:

WINCHESTER LODGE, No. 16,
NEUSE " " 6.

The following have not the signature of the Vice Grand—viz:

CAPE FEAR LODGE, No. 2,
CROSS CREEK " " 4,
THADDEUS " " 5,
NEUSE " " 6,
MECKLENBURG DECLARATION LODGE, No. 9,
TRENT " " 12,
HENDERSON " " 15,
WINCHESTER " " 16,
COVENANT " " 17.

The following have not the signature, of the N. G. or V. G.—viz:

HENDERSON LODGE, No. 15,
COVENANT " " 17.

There is no seal or signature on the Report of Eureka Lodge, No. 7.

The following Reports for the period embraced between July 1st and December 31st, 1848, are found to be in due form—viz:

CAPE FEAR LODGE, No. 2,
CROSS CREEK " " 4,
THADDEUS " " 5,
EUREKA " " 7,
MANTEO " " 8,
MECKLENBURG DECLARATION LODGE, No. 9,
PHALANX " " 10,
FRANKLIN " " 13,
ACHOREE " " 14.

The following have no seal—viz:

NEUSE LODGE, No. 6.
EUREKA " " 7,
CONCORDIA " " 11,

TRENT " " 12,
WINCHESTER " " 16,
COVENANT " " 17,
SMYRNA " " 18,
MOUNTAIN " " 19,
MUCHUENA " " 20,

The following have not the V. G's. signature—viz:

WASHINGTON LODGE, No. 3,
CONCORDIA " " 11.

There are two Reports from Washington Lodge, No. 3, bearing the same date, but not alike.

There is a Report from Washington Lodge, No. 3, for the half year ending December, 31st, 1847.

The following Lodges have sent their list of members—viz:

Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2; Washington Lodge, No. 3; Cross Creek Lodge, No. 4; Thaddeus Lodge, No. 5; Neuse Lodge, No. 6; Eureka Lodge, No. 7; Manteo Lodge, No. 8; Meckienburg Declaration Lodge, No. 9; Phalanx Lodge, No. 10; Concordia Lodge, No. 11; Franklin Lodge, No. 13; Achoree Lodge No. 14; Covenant Lodge, No. 17; Mountain Lodge, No. 19; Muchuena Lodge, No. 20.

There is no Semi-Annual Report from Henderson Lodge, No. 15, for the period embraced between July 1st and December 31st, 1848.

There is no list of members from the following Lodges—viz:

Trent Lodge, No. 12; Henderson Lodge, No. 15; Winchester Lodge No. 16; Smyrna Lodge, No. 18.

Respectfully submitted,
A. BETHUNE,
WM. D. COOKE.

The Committee appointed at the last session of this Grand Body to memoralize the Legislature for an Act of Incorporation, and to revise the Constitution and By-Laws, submitted a printed Report which, on motion, was received and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Grand Representatives, *P. G. M.*, W. H. McKee and *P. G.*, T. Burr, submitted a Report to the Grand Lodge, which, on motion, was received and ordered on file.

The following Resolution was offered and adopted:

Resolved, That the Resolution passed at the last session of the Grand Lodge, assessing a tax of five per cent upon the Initiations, Degrees, &c., be so construed as to take effect from and after the first day of January, 1848.

The following, from Eureka Lodge, No. 7, was submitted by their Representative, and referred to the committee on Petitions.

To the Right Worthy Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The following is an extract from the Minutes of Eureka Lodge, No. 7, April 20th, 1849.

Resolved, That the Representative of this Lodge be instructed to ask permission of the R. W. Grand Lodge of the State, for this Lodge to reinstate George W. Denby, who was expelled from this Lodge, January, 21st, 1846.

C. J. WHITE, *Secretary.*

The following motion was made and carried:

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be instructed to make out the accounts of each Subordinate Lodge, according to the instruction given by the Grand Lodge, of the Resolution, reducing the per centage to 5 per cent, passing to the credit of each Lodge, the amounts overpaid by them, and notifying the Lodge of the same before the time of making out the next Semi-Annual Reports.

On motion of Rep. John C. Wood:

Resolved, That the Report of the Grand Representatives be printed with the proceedings of this body.

The Grand Master appointed the following Committee on the unfinished business of the last session: Reps. John C. Wood, D. McMillan, and Julius Wilcox.

On motion, the Grand Lodge adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow.

MAY 10th—11 o'clock, A. M.

The Grand Lodge met according to adjournment—the Officers all present, and a quorum of the Representatives from the different Lodges—and was opened with prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

Rep, I. Disosway was excused from serving on the Committee of Correspondence, and Rep. J. C. Wood, was appointed in his place.

Rep. W. S. G. Andrews moved a re-consideration of Rep. J. C. Wood's Resolution relative to printing the Report of the Grand Representatives, which motion prevailed. When the following resolution was offered by Rep. Perrin Busbee, which was carried:

Resolved, That the said Resolution be so amended as to direct that said Report, or such parts thereof as the Committee on the Good of the Order may deem advisable to be spread upon the Minutes be printed with the proceedings.

Bro. T. M. Oliver, of Manteo Lodge, No. 8, presented his

certificate of having passed the chair of N. G. in said Lodge, which was referred to the Committee on Credentials, who submitted the following Report.

The *Committee on Credentials* have had the certificate of Bro. T. M. Oliver in their hands, and report that he is entitled to all the past official degrees.

I. DISOSWAY, *Chairman.*

The *Special Committee* upon that part of the Grand Master's Report which relates to defraying the expenses of the Representatives, submitted the following Report and Resolution, which were accepted and adopted:

The Committee to whom was referred so much of the Grand Master's Communication as suggested the propriety of this Grand Lodge defraying the expenses of the Representatives, have given the subject a careful consideration, and beg leave to Report:—That the subject is one of deep interest to the whole Fraternity within this jurisdiction, and your Committee finding that strong arguments may be adduced, both for and against such a proposition, would respectfully offer the following Resolution:

Resolved, That a Special Committee of Three be appointed, whose duty it shall be to enquire into the practicability of the measure, and report at the next regular session of the Grand Lodge. Committee—Reps. J. H. Manly, R. B. Haywood, and T. M. Oliver.

Respectfully submitted.

R. H. WORTHINGTON,
J. B. LITTLEJOHN,
J. B. NEWBY.

Rep. I. Disosway presented the certificate of Eureka Lodge, No. 7, showing an error in the return of dues from said Lodge to this body, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Returns and Reports of Subordinate Lodges.

Rep. J. C. Wood offered the following Resolution, which was carried:

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary, under the direction of the Grand Master, forward to *P. G. M.*, John Campbell, fifty dollars to be applied to educating and clothing the son of Bro. Archibald Boyd, dec'd., a member in good standing, of Weldon Lodge, No. 1, at the time of surrendering their charter to the Grand Lodge.

Five Scarlet members petitioned for a charter to open a new Lodge, which was referred to the Committee on Petitions, who submitted the following Report and Resolution, which, on motion, was received:

To the Right Worthy Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The *Committee on Petitions*, to whom was referred a petition from five Brothers of Washington Lodge, No. 3, to form a Lodge at Colerain, Bertie

county, to be styled ORIENTAL LODGE, No. 24, have examined the petitions and beg leave to offer the following resolution.

Resolved, That a charter be granted the above petitioners.

Respectfully Submitted, O. W. TELFAIR, *Chairman.*

Rep. P. Busbee offered the following Resolution which was agreed to:

Resolved, That the order referring the Report of the Committee to Revise the Constitution and By-laws to the Committee on Finance be rescinded, and the said Report be laid on the table.

Rep. I. Disosway offered the following Resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, That the price for withdrawal and travelling cards, charged by this Grand Lodge to her Subordinates, be hereafter fixed at 6 1-4 cents.

The *Committee on Returns and Reports* to whom was referred a communication from Eureka Lodge, No. 7, on the subject of the dues of said Lodge beg leave to submit the following Report:

That they have examined the subject, and recommend that the Grand Secretary, in making out the dues of Eureka Lodge, No. 7, receive the Report of the Secretary of said Lodge as correct.

Respectfully submitted, W. D. COOKE,
A. BETHUNE,

The *Select Committee* to whom was referred that part of the M. W. Grand Master's Report touching the propriety of appointing an Installing Officer to each subordinate Lodge with certain powers and under certain circumstances, have had the same under consideration and beg leave to Report:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

Upon a full investigation of the matter, they find that much embarrassment has resulted to our Grand officers from a want of proper promptness on the part of several Subordinate Lodges in making out their Semi-Annual Returns. Our Grand Officers have a similar duty to perform to a higher tribunal, and unless there be a hearty and prompt co-operation amongst all the branches of the fraternity in the State, we cannot maintain that respectability which the objects of Odd Fellowship demand at our hands, and which we feel we deserve when we look back upon the rugged steep which we have climbed. The more important does the recommendation of our M. W. Grand Master seem when the rapid growth of our Order in this jurisdiction is considered, and when we reflect that even in those States, from which we have looked for examples of wisdom, derived only from greater numbers and experience, it has been found necessary to pursue a similar course. And to continue to secure to the Order in the State, the services

of those who are well qualified by character and influence to be their Grand Officers, it is imperative upon the Subordinates to make as easy and pleasant as possible the duties imposed upon their time and personal services, whose only compensation is a conscientious pride of being the active promoters of benevolence and charity. Your Committee therefore unite in recommending the following Resolution:

Resolved, That the M. W. Grand Master shall, and he is hereby empowered to appoint from among the Past Grands of each Subordinate Lodge in the State, an Installing Officer, whose duty it shall be to install the several Officers, of his Lodge, as well as to receive all correspondence from the G. M. relating to the P. W.'s for each term and the said Installing Officers shall not communicate the P. W. to the said Lodge or proceed to invest the Officers with their authority until he is satisfied that the provisions of the 1st section of the 18th Article of the Constitution of the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina is complied with.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. MANLY,
W. S. G. ANDREWS,
A. JOHNSON.

On motion of Rep. I. Disosway, the above Report was accepted and the resolution adopted.

The *Committee on Petitions*, to whom was referred that portion of the Grand Master's Report, recommending that charters be granted to six new Lodges, viz:

SMYRNA LODGE, NO. 18,
MOUNTAIN " " 19,
MUCHUENA " " 20,
BUENA VISTA " " 21,
TUSCARORA " " 22,
TRYON " " 23.

Offered the following Resolution, which was agreed to:

Resolved, That charters be granted the above named Lodges.

Respectfully submitted, O. W. TELFAIR, *Chairman.*

The *Committee on the State of the Order* to whom was referred certain portions of the Report of the M. W. Grand Master, beg leave to submit the following Resolutions which were accepted and adopted:

Resolved, That the action of the Grand Master in granting a dispensation to Winchester Lodge, No. 16, to change the time of meeting from Friday to Saturday; and also, dispensations to Neuse Lodge, No. 6, and Phalanx Lodge, No. 10, to hold their regular meetings on Tuesday nights during Court weeks, be approved by this Grand Lodge.

Resolved, That the dispensation granted Eureka Lodge, No. 7, to have Lectures delivered for the good of the Order be approved.

Resolved, That inasmuch as Article 1st, Sec. 11. Division 3, page 45 of the Digest requires that State Grand Lodges shall "enact laws to restrict processions and public displays in regalia within their respective jurisdictions, and to regulate the delivery of Lectures upon matters connected with the Order," be it therefore.

Resolved, That no Subordinate Lodge within this jurisdiction shall have any procession or public display in Regalia (funeral occasions excepted) without permission first had and obtained from the Grand Lodge or Grand Master.

Resolved further, That no Subordinate Lodge within this jurisdiction shall have any public address or Lecture without permission first had and obtained from the Grand Lodge or Grand Master. But they may be allowed to have private addresses or lectures (not oftener than once a month) delivered in the Lodge room by one of their own members.

J. B. NEWBY,
T. H. HARDENBERGH,
W. S. G. ANDREWS.

Rep. J. B. Littlejohn submitted the following Query, and moved its reference to the *Committee on the State of the Order:*

Query—Can a Subordinate Lodge be allowed to exempt its Chaplain from the payment of dues, in consideration of his not claiming benefits.

The *Committee on Correspondence* submitted the following Report, which was received:

That they have discharged their duty, and after carefully examining the correspondence of this Grand Lodge, find nothing for the consideration of this body. The G. M. having summed up, in a clear and conspicuous manner, the substance of the entire correspondence in his official Report. JOHN C. WOOD, *Chairman.*

Rep. J. H. Manly submitted a communication from a Brother, relative to a paper to be connected with the Order in the State, and also offered the following Resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, That the above be referred to a Select Committee of Three.

The Chair named the following as the Committee—Reps. Worthington, Littlejohn and Oliver.

On motion of Rep. Andrews the Grand Lodge proceeded to the nomination of Officers.

P. G., W. S. G. Andrews	nominated	*P. G.*, J. B. Newby	for	*Grand Master.*
" J. H. Manly	"	" Julius Wilcox	"	"
" T. M. Oliver	"	" R. B. Haywood	"	"
" J. B. Littlejohn	"	" Ed. Yarborough	"	"
" J. H. Manly	"	" W. M. Puryear	"	*D. G. Master.*
" I. Disosway	"	" J. C. Wood	"	"
" J. B. Littlejohn	"	" Alex. Bethune	"	"
" I. Disosway	"	" W. D. Cooke	"	*G. Secretary.*
" W. D. Cooke	"	" Julius Wilcox	"	*G. Warden.*
" W. H. McKee	"	" D. McMillan	"	*G. Treasurer.*
" T. H. Hardenbergh	"	" J. H. Washington		*G. Rep.*
" J. B. Littlejohn	"	" J. H. Manly	"	"
" S. G. Smith	"	" John Shaw	"	"
" J. C. Wood	"	" Perrin Busbec	"	*Alternate Rep.*
" I. Disosway	"	" J. C. B. Ehringhaus	"	"
" W. H. McKee	"	" Rev. A. P. Repiton		*G. Chaplain.*

The *Committee on Petitions* submitted the following Report and Resolution:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee on Petitions, to whom was referred the request from Eureka Lodge, No. 7, to permit her to reinstate George W. Denby who was expelled from said Lodge, January 21st, 1846, respectfully report, that under the existing law, Art. 19, of the General Laws. The power does not exist under which this Grand Lodge can act unless Eureka Lodge asks a reversal of her decision, which in the communication now before your Committee she does not; therefore

Resolved, That the request be not complied with.

Respectfully submitted,

O. W. TELFAIR,
R. B. HAYWOOD,
J. H. MANLY,

On motion of Rep. Wm. D. Cooke the above was laid on the table.

The *Committee on the State of the Order* to whom was referred the following Query: "Can a Subordinate Lodge be allowed to exempt its Chaplain from payment of dues, in consideration of his claiming no benefits?" submitted the following Resolution which was accepted and adopted:

Resolved, That as the members composing a Subordinate Lodge shall each pay into the funds of such Lodge a sum not less than 6 1-4 cents per week: *Therefore*, no Subordinate Lodge has the power to exempt any of its members from the payment of weekly dues, without the consent of the Grand Lodge.

Respectfully submitted,

J. B. NEWBY,
T. H. HARDENBERGH,
W. S. G. ANDREWS.

The *The Committee on Unfinished Business* beg leave to Report

That they do not find in the proceedings of the last session of the Grand Lodge any unfinished business.

JOHN C. WOOD,
D. McMILLAN,
J. WILCOX.

REPORT

OF THE GRAND REPRESENTATIVES, G. L. U. S.

To the Right Worthy Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

At your last Annual Communication, in May, it was your pleasure to elect the undersigned to represent you in the Grand Lodge of the United States. They fully appreciate that honor, and here beg leave to return their ac-

knowledgements for this mark of the renewed evidence of the confidence of the Grand Lodge. In accepting so pleasant a duty, they could but naturally feel their want of proper ability to do that justice to the State, which she is so pre-eminently worthy of in taking her position along with those of other Representatives. It was gratifying to us to see so full a delegation from all the States—men of ability, experience and devotedness to the affairs of the Order—yet bound together by the invisible and powerful links of a common idea and feeling. In conformity with usage, they herewith submit an epitome of the proceedings of that body at its last session, with a bound copy, vol. 2, of their proceedings in 1847.

The Grand Lodge of the United States convened in the city of Baltimore, on Monday, Sept. 18th 1848, and continued in session the remainder of the week.

On the second day of the session, the following Officers were elected for the term, commencing from the next Annual meeting in September.

P. G. M., Robert H. Griffin, of Georgia, M. W. Grand Sire.
" " " Asher S. Kellogg, of Michigan, M. W. D. Grand Sire.
" " " James L. Ridgely, of Maryland, R. W. Grand Cor. and Rec. Secretary.
" " " Andrew E. Warner, of Maryland, R. W. Grand Treasurer.

From the continued increase of the Order, the Grand Lodge found it necessary that provisions should be made for its extensions upon the Pacific coast, and the following resolution was adopted:

"*Resolved*, That the R. W. Grand Sire be and he is hereby empowered to appoint (should he be satisfied with his character and qualifications) P. G., and P. C. P., Alexander V. Frasier, of the District of Columbia, a special Deputy with full powers to establish and supervise the Order in California and Oregon, and in the Islands of the Pacific Ocean, during the pleasure of this Grand Lodge, and that the said Special Deputy be required to report to this body at its annual sessions the state and condition of the Order in his jurisdiction, with such suggestions and recommendations as he may deem beneficial to its interest.

In conformity with this resolution, P. G., and P. C. P., Alexander V. Frasier has been appointed Special Deputy; although this delegation of power to a single individual over so extensive a region of country, was in the opinion of many, unusual and liable to abuse, yet your representatives voted in its favor, because his character as a citizen and Odd Fellow was unexceptionable, and his position as chief of the Revenue Service of the United States, gave him peculiar advantages for the mission; and because the occasion demanded a large grant of authority, for the introduction of the benign principles and harmonizing influences of the Institution of Odd Fellowship in that distant land—vast in extent, valuable in resources, and to which an increased emigration is rapidly tending.

Excelsior Lodge, No. 1, Honolulu, Oahu, Sandwich Islands, made application to the Grand Lodge of the United States for relief.

A Resolution was reported by the Committee to whom the subject was referred, and passed, instructing the Grand Cor. and Rec. Secretary to issue a circular to the State Grand Lodges and Grand Encampments, requesting these bodies to cause the subject to be submitted to the subordinates, soliciting contributions for the purpose of erecting an Odd Fellows Hall in the town of Honolulu, Oahu, in the Sandwich Islands, and that the Grand Cor. and Rec. Secretary was to receive such contributions, and when a sufficency had been contributed for that purpose, he was to have a house framed with all the necessary work and materials for its completion, and to ship the same to the Brothers of Excelsior Lodge, to be put up at Honolulu. We would recommend this to your very favorable attention, and through you to your subordinate Lodges, as a subject well worthy of your and their consideration. This Lodge is peculiarly situated, at a port greatly resorted to, by American vessels, and other seafareing members. They are very frequently called upon to contribute to the wants of members who go out upon the sea, and during the last year they have given in this way over two thousand dollars, a sum quite sufficient to have erected a good wooden building for the transaction of their business; and they now only ask of their brothers of the Order, in the United States, a portion of their free offerings.

The Report of the Finance Committee makes the following exhibit of the state of the Finances.

Total unappropriated cash in the Treasury was	$4,299 49
Sixty-four shares of Ohio 6 per cent State Stocks, which cost $6,017, but which is now valued at	6,400 00
Maryland State Stocks,	2,800 00
Total available means,	$13,499 49
Amount due Grand Lodge U. S. by Grand Bodies,	4,846 97
	$18,346 46

In addition to this amount, the value of the other property of the Grand Lodge, consisting of Books, copies of the Digest of Laws, Proceedings, Odes, Furniture, &c., &c., must be added, which will probably increase it to a sum exceeding $20,000.

A communication was received from the Representatives of the Grand Lodge of Maryland, setting forth the pecuniary distress of P. G. Sire, Wildey, and requesting of the Grand Lodge of the United States to lend its aid in giving the old Patriarch relief. It is known to every one that P. G. Sire, Thomas Wildey is the venerable Patriarch and founder of the Order in the United States, whose efforts in the cause of philanthropy have been crowned with such glorious and endearing results, without any imprudent or improper act, became involved in deep pecuniary distress. A Special

Committee, to whom the subject was referred, advised the following recommendations:

"First. An appropriation out of the uninvested and invested funds of the Grand Lodge, sufficient to pay off the incumbrances, which amounted to about, $8,000, on his property; receiving at the same time formal assignments of the judgements, mortgages and other claims, and holding them as collateral security for the reimbursement of the sum so advanced.

"Second. That the Secretary address a circular letter to each Grand Master and G. Patriarch, requesting them to refer the subject to their respective Subordinates, and receive from the several Grand Secretaries and Grand Scribes whatever contributions might be made, until the amount contributed should equal the sum advanced by the Grand Lodge of the United States, carrying the contributions so received to the credit of the (so styled) Wildey Fund, in the books of the Grand Lodge, and making a full report thereof at the next Communication, and notifying the several authorities whenever the contributions exceed the necessary amount, so that they may cease. And lastly, for the purpose of procuring comfort for his remaining days, that the Subordinate Lodges and Encampments be requested to bestow on him a small annuity to be collected and transmitted as the "Fund" aforesaid, and be styled the "Wildey Annuity."

These recommendations received the vote of your Representatives, and of a very large majority of the members of the Grand Lodge of the United States.

A Resolution was passed, after meeting with considerable opposition, authorizing the appointment of a Committee to draft a uniform Constitution for the government of the State Grand Lodges and Encampments, and report it at the next meeting of the Grand Lodge of the United States, in September, 1849.

The Committee, under the above Resolution, is an able one, and will doubtless endeavor to perfect an instrument in accordance with approved principles, and framed to meet the varied necessities of the different State Institutions.

The following decisions upon general principles were submitted by Reports of Committees and approved by the Grand Lodge:

"That by voluntarily withdrawing from the duties of a station, an Officer forfeits the honors thereof, and the successor who fills the duties of the unexpired term, becomes entitled to the said honors."

"In case that a Brother has neglected to pay his dues for such a length of time as to be debarred by the rules of his Lodge from receiving benefits while sick, he cannot be permitted, while he continues sick, to come in and pay his dues, so as to entitle him to benefits."

"The State Grand Lodges have the power to authorize their Subordinates to hold Lodge meetings once a month, or at such times and intervals as they may think proper."

"That it shall be the duty of the Scribes of each Encampment to furnish the Secretary of each Subordinate Lodge a list of the members of said Lodge who are also members of such Encampment, and it shall be the duty of each Secretary to advise each Scribe, within a reasonable time, of the granting of a Withdrawal Card to any member of his Lodge, who is also a member of such Encampment, and also of the suspensions, expulsions, or reinstatements of any such member."

The Grand Lodge of the United States will not recognize the existence of movable Lodges or Encampments whether Grand or Subordinate.

It is now left to the State Grand Lodges to adopt such Regalia as they may prefer for Funeral occasions instead of, or in connection with that heretofore prescribed.

"Encampment Regalia is not to be worn in the Subordinate Lodge of which a brother is a member, nor is he allowed to sit, speak or vote in the Lodge unless clothed in the regalia of his degree.

Charters were granted during the session for six Subordinate Lodges and twenty-two Subordinate Encampments, and for the reinstatement of Grand Encampments in the States of Delaware, Alabama and Louisiana.

The difficulties existing in the jurisdiction of New York, and the necessity for the proper recognition of principles of vast importance to the welfare of the Institution, rendered the last session of the Grand Lodge of the United States highly interesting. A series of unforeseen and unfortunate circumstances had thrown the Order in that State into confusion. A portion of the State was arrayed against another—the country Lodges against the city Lodges—the supporters of the New constitution party (as it was termed) against those of the old. There were two Grand Lodges recognised in that jurisdiction, each contended for the supreme authority and both were represented at the last Session of the G. L. U. S. by individuals of their own selection. The credentials of the opposing claimants, together with the accompanying documents were referred to a select committee of five, elected by ballot, persons of acknowledged ability, prudence and experience, which after a laborious examination of printed and oral testimony, submitted reports to the Grand Lodge for final action. Four of the members advocated the claims of the old Grand Lodge, and presented the following resolutions, viz:

"*Resolved*, That Jas. W. Hale and John I. Davies are the legal Representatives from the Grand Lodge of New York, and that they be admitted to seats in this Grand Lodge."

"*Resolved*, That the Grand Body by whom the foregoing Representatives are elected or apointed is hereby recognised as having a legal existence under the authority of the Grand Lodge of the United States."

The remaining member of the Committee submitted a counter report in favor of the adherents of the new constitution, and of the right of their Representatives to seats in the Grand Lodge. After an animated debate,

the report and resolutions of the majority were adopted by a vote of 47 to 24. The views which influenced Rep. Burr to side with the majority in the decision of this delicate case, (Rep. McKee of the Grand Lodge and Disosway of the Grand Encampment having returned to their homes before the question was decided;) are, in brief, these. Some two or three years ago a convention of Past Grands was held in the State of New York, for the purpose of preparing a new constitution for the government of the Grand Lodge in that jurisdiction, the old constitution then in use being found insufficient to meet the necessities of the order. By an act of the Grand Lodge it was declared that should the new instrument receive the approval of a majority of the subordinate Lodges; without any further proceedings it should be recognised by the fraternity as the supreme authority. The instrument was prepared and was acceptable to a very large majority of the subordinates, and finally was sent to the Grand Lodge of the United States for its approval. That body declared "that the State Grand Lodge itself should have originally decided upon the question of its adoption and had no right to delegate its power to the subordinate Lodges for any legislative purpose." At the September Session 1847 of the Grand Lodge of the United States, the whole subject was referred to a committee for the purpose of reconciling differences and restoring harmony, which committee after a laborious investigation, made a lengthened report, ending with the following resolution:

"*Resolved*, That the form of constitution, reported by the committee, except such parts of it as may be stricken out by this Grand Lodge, be and is hereby referred to the R. W. G. L. of New York, and the said G. L. of New York is hereby directed at its session in November next, to take up the said form of constitution and act upon the same, with full power to adopt or reject, or amend and adopt; as if regularly and formally before that body for final action, in pursuance of Art. 6, Sect. 1, of its constitution. *Provided*, however, that the constitution as adopted be forwarded to this Grand Lodge for approval,—pursuant to the requirements of Art. 10, of the By-Laws of the G. L. U. S." This resolution was adopted by a large majority. It will be seen that a positive act was by the G. L. U. S. the supreme authority in Odd fellowship, directed to be performed by the G. L. of New York, that is to say, the form of Constitution as approved was ordered to be taken up at its Nov. Session 1847 for adoption or rejection or amendment and adoption, and as adopted forwarded to the G. L. U. S. for approval, pursuant to the requirements of its By-Laws.

This act was not performed—the mandate of the G. L. U. S. was disregarded—the form of Constitution as sent down by its Superior for action by the G. L. of New York never was before that body, but a different instrument altogether. A series of amendments or additions, forty or forty-five in number, some of them being at variance with first principles as well as settled law, were tacked on promiscuously until the shape and texture of the original was, if not wholly lost, at least obscured and impaired, and

then by a single vote, the whole instrument, with its different alterations and amendments was declared to have been adopted, and therefore binding upon the Fraternity. Neither was the supervision and approval of the Grand Lodge of the United States first obtained as directed. The new Constitution party however, claiming to have performed every act required of it in the premises organized, elected officers, and exercised the supreme authority in that jurisdiction. The Grand Sire acting under that Article of the Constitution which declares that "during the recess of this G. L. he shall have a general Superintendence over the interests of the Order," "enforce the Laws of the Grand Lodge without respect to Lodges or individuals, and make report to the next stated meeting of his acts and doings in relation thereunto," after mature deliberation became satisfied of the irregularity of the proceedings, declared that the terms of the condition and the mandate of the G. L. U. S. had not been complied with, recognized the old Constitution as being in force and directed the G. M. of that party to issue a Proclamation setting forth his views. The Proclamation was promulgated and entirely disregarded by the adherents of the new Constitution. Thereupon, the Grand Sire, although convinced of the justice of his conclusions, yet desirous of receiving additional and positive proof thereof, appointed a commission consisting of five experienced members who proceeded to the City of New York, and after an examination made a lengthy report coinciding in every particular with his position. The commission was also treated with contempt, and the Order in the Empire State remained in a disgraceful condition of discord and confusion until the settlement of the question by the Grand Lodge. The Grand Sire was sustained by that body, the Representatives of the old Grand Lodge were admitted to seats, and the authority of the same fully recognized. Many collateral issues arose in the discussion on this delicate case—points of great importance and interest touching the very structure and government of Odd Fellowship—the relation of the State Grand Sovereignties to the constituted head of the Order—the supposed analogy between them and that of the Federal Compact—the duties and power of Grand Masters and Grand Sires, in Sessions and in the recess, the extent of authority, &c., which were deemed incidental and not constituting the particular question to be decided.

In accordance with instructions, the Report of the Committee on the State of the Order adopted at the last session of this Grand Lodge (page 17, of the proceedings) was presented and ordered to be laid on the table. It will probably be taken up at the next session of the Grand Lodge of the United States, and finally disposed of.

The consent of the Grand Lodge of the United States, with regard to the removal of the sittings of the Grand Lodge from Wilmington to Raleigh, was obtained without difficulty.

An amendment to the Constitution, adopted at the session of 1847, touching the classification of Representatives, rendered it necessary that the term of service of Representatives to the Grand Lodge of the United

States, should be decided by lot, which was accordingly done, and ballots having been prepared were drawn with the following result:

WILLIAM H. McKEE, for one year.
T. BURR, for two years.

The term of service of Rep. McKee having expired, a new election to supply the vacancy becomes necessary on the part of this body.

A very full Report upon the unwritten or unpublished work of the Order was presented by the Committee previously appointed for that purpose, which after discussion and amendment, was adopted, and remains now unalterable and unchangeable, unless by the unanimous consent of the Grand Lodge of the United States. As in all probability this cannot be obtained, a very desirable object has been secured—viz: uniformity in the work.

The following amendment, offered at a previous session, was adopted, and now forms a part of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of the United States:

"The unwritten work of the Order shall in no wise be altered, or amended, except by a unanimous vote of the Grand Lodge; and the written work of the Order shall in no wise be altered or amended, except with the concurrence of four-fifths of the members of the Grand Lodge.

By a Resolution adopted at the last session, it was made the duty of the Representatives to correctly instruct the respective Grand Bodies which they represented in the actual work of the Order."

The undersigned will communicate the unpublished work as they received it, at such time as you may be pleased to designate.

Respectfully submitted. W. H. McKEE,
TALCOT BURR, Jr.

Rep. Julius Wilcox offered the following Resolution, which was accepted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Lodge are due, and are hereby tendered to P. G's W. H. McKee and T. Burr, Jr., Representatives of this Grand Lodge to the Grand Lodge of the United States, for the able manner in which they have filled the station.

On motion of Rep. Andrews, the Lodge proceeded to the election of officers for the ensuing year which resulted as follows:

Most Worthy Grand Master,
J. B. NEWBY, of Cross Creek Lodge, No. 4.
Right Worthy Deputy Grand Master,
A. BETHUNE, of Mecklenburg Declaration Lodge, No. 9.
Right Worthy Grand Secretary,
WM. D. COOKE, of Manteo Lodge, 8.
Right Worthy Grand Warden,
JULIUS WILCOX, of Muchuena Lodge, No. 20.

Right Worthy Grand Treasurer,
D. McMILLAN, of Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2.
Right Worthy Grand Representative,
JOHN H. MANLY, of Manteo Lodge, No. 8.
Right Worthy Grand Alternate Representative,
J. C. B. EHRINGHAUS, of Achoree Lodge, No. 14.
Right Worthy Grand Chaplain,
Rev. A. P. REPITON, of Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2.

On motion, the Grand Lodge adjourned to 8 o'clock, P. M.

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8 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Right Worthy Grand Lodge met according to adjournment, and a quorum of the Officers and Representatives being present, proceeded to business.

Rep. W. H. McKee offered the following Resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be instructed to transmit, immediately after their reception, to each Subordinate Lodge, a copy of the Journal of the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of the United States.

On motion, the R. W. Grand Lodge proceeded to install the Officers elect—viz:

J. B. Newby,	*M. W. Grand Master,*
Alex. Bethune,	*R. W. D. Grand Master,*
Wm. D. Cooke,	*R. W. Grand Secretary,*
Julius Wilcox,	*R. W. Grand Warden,*
D. McMillan,	*R. W. Grand Treasurer,*
Rev. A. P. Repiton,	*R. W. Grand Chaplain.*

P. G., J. C. Justice presented his certificate as Representative from Eureka Lodge, No. 7. also, a certificate from Tuscarora Lodge, No. 22, requesting *P. G. M.*, I. Disosway or *P. G.*, J. C. Justice to act as their Representative, which certificates were referred to the Committee on Credentials, who submitted the following Report:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The *Committee on Credentials*, to whom was referred the credentials of *P. G.*, J. Cicero Justice as the Representative of Eureka Lodge, No. 7, have

had the same under consideration, and beg leave to Report, that the same is regular and in due form, and that he is entitled to his seat as Representative of said Lodge.

The Committee also Report, that P. G., J. C. Justice is regularly certified as the proxy Representative of Tuscarora Lodge, No. 22, and is entitled as such to represent said Lodge in this body.

Respectfully submitted, I. DISOSWAY, *Chairman.*

Rep. T. H. Hardenbergh offered the following Resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Report, of the Committee on the Revision of the Constitution and By-Laws be made the special order of the day at 11 o'clock to-morrow.

The Committee to whom was referred the Communication on the subject of a Periodical connected with the Order to be published in Raleigh, believing that the various publications of the day on that subject are not calculated to promote the cause of Odd Fellowship, but rather to retard its progress, begged leave to offer the following Resolution which was accepted and adopted:

Resolved, That it is unwise and inexpedient for this body to lend its patronage in the present instance.

R. H. WORTHINGTON,
THOS. M. OLIVER,
J. B. LITTLEJOHN.

Rep. I. Disosway offered the following Resolution which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Lodge are due and are hereby tendered to P. G. M., Benjamin F. Hanks for the able, impartial and dignified manner in which he has presided over the deliberations of this body and discharged the duties incident to the office of G. M. of the State.

Rep. W. H. McKee gave instruction to the Grand Lodge on the unwritten work of the Order.

On motion, the Grand Lodge adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow.

May 11th—11 o'clock, A. M.

The Grand Lodge met according to adjournment—the Officers all present, and a quorum of the Representatives from the different Lodges—and was opened with prayer by *G. C.*, Rev. A. Paul Repiton, after which the Grand Lodge proceeded to business.

The printed Report of the Committee appointed at the last annual Communication to revise the Constitution and General Laws was taken up.

Rep. W. H. McKee moved to alter the 5th Section of Article 2d, of the Constitution, so as to read, "*Third*" Wednesday in May, instead of "*Second*"—when, on motion of Rep. T. M. Oliver, it was indefinitely postponed.

The 5th Section of Article 2d of the Constitution was amended so as to read "*Semi-Annual,*" instead of "quaterly" reports.

The 2d Section of Article 11th of the Constitution was amended so as to read "*A sum not exceeding,*" instead of "the sum of" ten per cent.

The 7th Section of Article 12th of the Constitution was amended so as to read, "*When Past Grands of any Lodge are equally divided, the Representative thereof elect shall give the vote,*" instead of "When Past Grands of Lodges are equally divided the vote shall be forfeited."

The Yeas and Nays being called on the above amendments, resulted as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Reps. Wood, Repiton, Cooke, Hardenbergh, Justice, Oliver, Smith, Telfair, Wilcox, Manly, McMillan, Johnson, Puryear, Haywood and Bethune—15.

Those who voted in the negative were:

Reps. McKee, Worthington, Busbee, and Littlejohn—4.

The 17th Article of the Constitution was amended so as to require the appointment of eight Standing Committees at every regular Annual Communication.

On motion of Rep, I. Disosway the following Proviso was added to Article 19, of the General Laws:

"*Provided, nevertheless, That when a member is expelled for non payment of dues, he may be re-instated without the intervention of the Grand Lodge, by such a vote as would be necessary to admit a new member.*"

Article 38 of the General Laws was added to Article 19th as the 2d Section of that Article.

Article 32d of the General Laws was expunged.

Article 33d of the General Laws was amended so as to read "*Any Brother who shall have drawn his certificate of membership from the Lodge whereunto he was connected, is entitled to the A. T. P. in use at the time, and retains the right to visit with that word for a year.*"

Article 39th of the General Laws was expunged.

The Constitution and General Laws were then, on motion, adopted.

The *Committee on Constitutions and By-Laws* offered the following Report and Resolutions which were accepted and adopted:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

Your Committee have examined the Constitution and By-Laws of the following Lodges, which are all that have been submitted for the examination of the Committee—viz: Nos. 5, 6, 8, 10, 14, 20, 21.

None of these are free from error.

As the General Laws have undergone an entire revision, the Committee recommend the adoption of the accompanying Resolutions as the best means of producing conformity thereto on the part of Subordinates.

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be, and is hereby instructed to forward to each Subordinate Lodge within this jurisdiction, one or more copies of the "General Laws" as soon as practicable after the adjournment of this body.

Resolved, That all Subordinate Lodges within this jurisdiction are particularly enjoined to make their Constitution and By-Laws conform to the "General Laws" and to forward a copy to this Grand Lodge at its next communication.

Respectfully submitted,

T. H. HARDENBERGH,
W. H. McKEE,
J. B. LITTLEJOHN.

The *Select Committee* on Grand Master's Communication reported as follows, which was received:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The *Select Committee* to whom was referred that portion of the Grand Master's Report relative to the 33d Article of the General Laws, have performed their duty, and find that it is in direct conflict with the laws of the Grand Lodge of the United States, which declares all Odd Fellows entitled to visit twelve months on their withdrawal cards. They, therefore,

recommend that "*three times*" be stricken out of the General Laws, and that "*twelve months*" be inserted.

Respectfully submitted.

R. B. HAYWOOD,
A. BETHUNE,
W. M. PURYEAR.

The Grand Lodge adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

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3 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Right Worthy Grand Lodge met according to adjournment, and a quorum of the Officers and Representatives being present, proceeded to business.

The reading of the Constitution and By-Laws was continued and completed—when, on motion, they were adopted as a whole.

Rep. A. Paul Repiton offered the following Resolutions which were adopted:

Resolved, That the Constitution and General Laws of this Grand Body be printed with the proceedings of the present session, for the benefit of Subordinate Lodges.

Resolved, That the *P. G. Secretary* prepare the Minutes of this session for printing, and forward the same to P. G., Wm. D. Cooke, *Grand Secretary* elect, who shall have 750 copies of the same printed as soon as practicable and as cheap as possible.

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary have a longer time than the 1st of July to arrange the financial affairs connected with the returns from Subordinates.

The following Resolution was offered and adopted:

Resolved, That all monies due the Grand Lodge from Subordinate Lodges shall be paid to the Grand Secretary, who shall keep an account of the same, and pay over the amounts received to the Grand Treasurer, taking his receipt for the same.

On motion of Rep. J. Cicero Justice,

Resolved, That the Representative to the Grand Lodge of the United States be instucted to inquire of that Grand Body how an Odd Fellow, whose withdrawal card has expired, shall proceed to connect himself with a Lodge.

Rep. A. Paul Repiton offered the following Resolution, which was agreed to:

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge lend the Grand Encampment seventy-five dollars to be returned at the next Annual Communication of the same.

Rep. Alex. Bethune submitted the following appeal from a member of Mecklenburg Declaration Lodge, No. 9, which, on motion, was referred to a Select Committee of Three.

CHARLOTTE, May 25, 1848.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge I. O. O. F., of the State of North Carolina:

At a regular meeting of Mecklenburg Declaration Lodge, No. 9, May 2, 1848, E. C. Greer was arraigned on a charge of conduct immoral and unbecoming an Odd Fellew. The accused was desirous of having the matter investigated immediately, but constitutional articles preventing. He waived all Law, and technicality of Law, to let the matter undergo an immediate investigation, as he expected to be absent at the next regular meeting. A committee was then appointed who retired and examined the accused together, with the witnesses—and returned to the Lodge and read their report, which report, recommended suspension as the lightest punishment the Lodge should inflict. The accused then rose and replied to the report, acknowledging his guilt, and asked if any farther evidence was to be admitted against him; when informed their was not, he retired, after which a brother reported a conversation which he had had with Greer. Said report was objected to, but *may* have had some influence; whether it did or not I do not pretend to say—Greer alledges it was new evidence, that he had no opportunity of answering.

A motion was then made to alter the report of the committee, so as to read expulsion instead of suspension, which was carried. At present there is a difference of opinion between the accused and the Lodge, with regard to the construction the Lodge put upon his "waiving all law and technicality of Law." He contending that he waived only the law, requiring committees to have one week in which to make the report. The Lodge contending that he not only waived that, but the 19th Article of G. L. constitution for the Gov. of Sub. Lodges, and in conformity with their construction of it, a motion was then made for his expulsion which motion was put to the Lodge, and carried declaring him expelled.

From this decision the accused appeals to your body.

The grounds on which he appeals are set forth in a paper signed by himself, accompanying this document.

Truly and Fraternally your obedient servant.

L. S. WILLIAMS, *N. G.*,
Meck. Dec. Lodge, No. 9, I. O. O. F.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., May 25, 1848.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F., of North Carolina:

Appeal from Mecklenburg Declaration Lodge, No. 9.

On the 2nd evening of May inst., I was arraigned and expelled. When the charge was read, I told the Lodge that I would be absent at the next meeting, and that I would waive all law and technicalities so as to let the investigation then come on—so that I could have an opportunity of hearing and defending myself. To this proposition the Lodge agreed—the Com-

mittee was then appointed, and retired and made their report. After their report was read, I confessed that I had done wrong. The offence was one single act of indiscretion, and only one. The Committee reported suspension. For the good of the Order, I was willing to submit to a short suspension, although I think that would have been a severe punishment. I then asked if there was any farther evidence to be given—being told that there was none, I then retired. As soon as I retired, one of the members rose and related a conversation which he said he had heard me have, a day or two previous. The substance of said conversation as related by him, I contend is wholly untrue, and was calculated to exasperate the members against me. A proof of which, the members of the Committee who had heard all the evidence, and had reported suspension immediately voted to alter their report so as to read expulsion. I ask your body to say, whether according to the Constitution of your Lodge and all the rules of the Order, should I not have had an opportunity of vindicating myself and refuting the statement as made.

A motion was then made to set aside the 19th Article of the G. L. Constitution for the government of Subordinate Lodges, which says that all motions for expulsion shall lay over two weeks. Can a creature set aside the Laws of its Creator? Our Lodge is a creature of your body and consequently cannot set aside your laws; but some of the Lodge said that I had waived all law and technicalities at the beginning of the trial. What did I do that for? was it not because I would be absent at the next meeting? Had they gone on as the said 19th Article directs, I would have returned before the action of the Lodge could have been taken. But here I was in Town not two hundred yards from the Lodge Room, and never knew such a motion was before the Lodge. Did the Lodge act in the true spirit of Odd Fellowship in taking such a responsibility upon themselves without informing me of their action? When I left the Lodge Room the motion before the Lodge was on the adoption of the report of the Committtee which recommended suspension as the lightest punishment; but so soon as I left the Lodge an *ex parte* statement of a conversation was made, and without any explanation from me; they then go on to alter the report, set aside *your Laws*, and finally expel, and that too all on the same night the charges were preferred.

What was the said 19th Article made for? Was it not to protect the accused from the sudden and violent impulses to which human nature is liable? Several of the members have since told me that if it was to do over they would act far different. They confess that they acted without reflection.

There is one article of our Lodge constitution which reads thus: "A majority of the members present may suspend, but it shall require a majority of two thirds of the whole to expel a brother." At the meeting of the 2d inst., not more than twenty three were present, our Lodge consists of fifty one. Our constitution and also that of your body says that

no member shall vote if in arrears at the close of the quarter. Some of the members who voted and discussed the merits of my case in my absence, for no one said a word while I was present, were in arrears more than one quarter and one of them over twelve months. I therefore contend that the whole action of our Lodge was unjust, illegal and severe, and pray your body to set their decision aside. If I have been guilty of any flagrant offence, I ought to know what it is, before I am expelled. I always thought it was one of the exalted principles of our institution to forgive the penitent. My offence was one to which all the young are liable, and instead of casting a stigma upon my name, my Lodge should have been the first to come to my aid. This is the first offence of mine that the Lodge has ever noticed. I therefore ask your body to restore me to the Order, either by over-ruling the decision of our Lodge, or by granting a new trial.

Very Respectfully,

E. C. GREER.

The Chair appointed the following as the Committee on the above appeal—Reps. R. B. Haywood, J. H. Manly and J. C. Wood.

The *Committee on Finance* submitted the following Report which was accepted:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee on Finance respectfully Report that they have examined the accounts of the R. W. Grand Treasurer, and find that he has in hand and balance due the Grand Lodge in Cash, $698 99

Due from Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, by note dated and due, May 26th, 1847, for	$300 00	
Due from Neuse Lodge, No. 6, by note,	300 00	
Due from Eureka Lodge, No. 7, by note, a balance,	257 79	
Amount of interest due on the above notes, about,	35 50	$893 29
		$1592 08
Credit by bills paid during the session of G. L.		414 27
		1177 81

The Committee have also examined sundry bills and find them correct and recommend that they be passed.

Respectfully submitted,

W. D. COOKE,
T. H. HARDENBERGH,
J. CICERO JUSTICE.

The following Past Grands were appointed Installing Officers—viz:

LODGES.	INSTALLING OFFICERS.	LODGES.	INSTALLING OFFICERS.
No. 2	JOHN C. WOOD,	No. 3	F. M. COPEHART,
" 4	JOHN SHAW,	" 5	L. C. HUBBARD,
" 6	CHARLES J. NELSON,	" 7	I. DISOSWAY,
" 8	T. M. OLIVER,	" 9	JOHN A. YOUNG,
" 10	T. H. HARDENBERGH,	" 11	M. F. ARENDEL,
" 12	J. C. BRYAN,	" 13	BENJ. B. LEWIS,
" 14	J. C. B. EHRINGHAUS,	" 15	A. R. BURWELL,
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" 18	M. F. ARENDEL,	" 19	JASPER STOWE,
" 20	DAVID PARRISH,	" 21	JOHN SLOAN,
" 22	THOMAS WOODLEY,	" 23	THOS. A. HAYDEN.

P. G., O. W. TELFAIR of *Phalanx Lodge, No.* 10, was appointed *Worthy Grand Conductor.*

P. G., G. J. MUSGRAVE, *Achoree Lodge, No.* 14, was appointed *Worthy Grand Guardian.*

The following appointments of District Deputy Grand Masters were made—viz:

Wilmington District.

JOHN C. WOOD, *of Cape Fear Lodge, No.* 2.

Raleigh District.

J. B. LITTLEJOHN, *of Franklin Lodge, No.* 13.

Newbern District.

J. CICERO JUSTICE, *of Eureka Lodge, No.* 7.

Roanoke District.

R. H. WORTHINGTON, *of Washington Lodge, No.* 3.

The Grand Lodge adjourned to 9 o'clock to-morrow.

MAY 12th, 1849—9 o'clock, A. M.

The Grand Lodge met according to adjournment—the Officers all present, and a quorum of the Representatives from the Different Lodges—and proceeded to business.

The *Committee* on the appeal from Mecklenburg Declaration Lodge, No, 9, submitted the following Report and Resolutions which was accepted and the Resolutions adopted:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The *Select Committee* to whom was referred the appeal of E. C. Greer

to this Grand Lodge, from the action of Mecklenburg Declaration Lodge, submit the following Report: That upon a fair investigation of the case, both by the appellant and the N. G. of said Lodge, they are clearly of the opinion that the course pursued in this case has been illegal and hasty.—The Committee will not presume to enlarge upon the propriety of Brothers every where taking much time in satisfying themselves that they are not forced by any temporary excitement, to distain the character of one to whom they are bound in the tenderest ties of charity and kindness—to be pointed out as not only unworthy of the sympathies, but entitled to the scorn and contempt of more than one hundred thousand of his fellow-citizens, is a matter of serious consideration as well to the tribunal which consigns, as to the unhappy man who receives its sentence. Our Grand Sires in their wisdom have ordered that time, much time shall be taken, not alone that the individual charged may have notice and an opportunity of defending himself, but that those who have the judgment to render, may be free of any prejudice which a misguided and cruel public opinion too often uncharitably excites,—time to reflect upon the consequences to him whom they have called *Brother*—time that the judgment may be convinced, and the heart treat with itself of *charity*. Your Committee are not informed of the offence for which E. C. Greer has been arraigned and expelled; nor would it be necessary, even were the facts in the case before them, to express any opinion on them to decide this matter, for the General Laws of the Order have been violated and set at naught—your Committee are unanimously of the opinion that under 19th Article of General Laws it is not in the power of a Subordinate Lodge to expell a member without the publication of the motion in open Lodge for at least two regular meetings; and it is not in the power of a Lodge to alter, amend or annul any of the General Laws; most assuredly it cannot be done by the consent or request of a single member, whether he be the individual charged or not (see Art. 35 General Laws.)

Your Committee could point out other objections to the legality of the proceedings in this case—viz: the alteration of the motion from that to suspend, to that of expulsion without due notice to the Lodge and the accused, (Digest of Laws of G. L. U. S. for the Government of Subordinate Grand Lodges, page 50, Sec. 27.) Also, in the absence of the accused to admit new and ex parte testimony after the evidence had been declared closed.

The Committee therefore recommend the adoption of the following Resolutions:

Resolved, That the proceedings of Mecklenburg Declaration Lodge being in conflict both with 19th and 35th Article of General Laws, were illegal and therefore void.

Resolved, That Bro. E. C. Greer is hereby reinstated to his original position as an Independent Odd Fellow, and that Mecklenburg Declaration Lodge be instructed to institute new proceedings in the matter, provided, in their judgment, it be proper and for the good of the Order. Respectfully submitted, R. B. HAYWOOD,
J. C. WOOD,
J. H. MANLY.

Rep. J. Cicero Justice offered the following Resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be instructed to purchase a Seal Press for the Grand Lodge, on as good terms as possible.

Rep. T. H. Hardenbergh offered the following Resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Funeral Regalia, described on page 30 of the Digest, be adopted as Funeral Regalia until this Grand Lodge orders differently.

On motion of Rep. O. W. Telfair,

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be instructed to purchase Jewels of Office for the Officers of the Grand Lodge I. O. O. F., State of North Carolina.

On motion of Rep. T. H. Hardenbergh, it was

Resolved, That for the year 1849, Subordinate Lodges under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge shall be assessed and required to pay over to the Installing Officer five per cent on their initiations, degrees, deposit cards and dues.

On motion of Rep. Julius Wilcox,

Resolved, That the cordial thanks of this Grand Lodge be tendered to the members of Manteo Lodge, No. 8, and Raleigh Encampment, No. 5, for the hearty reception and generous hospitality extended by them to the members of this Grand Body, and that the Grand Secretary be requested to transmit a copy of this Resolution to the above named Lodge and Encampment.

The Grand Lodge adjourned with prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

A. PAUL REPITON,
Grand Secretary.

RECORD of the Subordinate Lodges under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of the State of North Carolina.

Names of Lodges.	No.	Where Held.	Date of Opening.	By Whom Opened.	By What Authority.	Time of Meeting.	Officers Installed.
WELDON,	1	Weldon,	April 26, 1841.	*P. G. M.* Geo. M. Bain, of Va. *D. D. G. S.*	Dispensation f'm G. L. U. S.		J. Campbell, *N. G.*, W. T. Whitfield, *V. G.*, Dr. J. J. Moore, *Sec.*, W. B, Powell, *Treasurer.*
CAPE FEAR,	2	Wilmington,	May 13, 1842.	Do.	Do.	Tuesday.	Alexander McRae, *N. G.* V. Hodgeson, *V. G.*
WASHINGTON,	3	Murfreesboro',	May 17, 1842.	Do.	Do.	Friday.	
CROSS CREEK,	4	Fayetteville,	Aug. 22, 1843.	*D. G. M.* John McRae, Sr.,	Dispensation fm. G. L. N. C.	Friday,	Rev. E. McNair, *N. G.*, James A. McRae, *V. G.*, Henry Baker, *Sec.*, John McRae, *Treasurer.*
THADDEUS,	5	Originally at Warsaw, now at Clinton, Sampson Co.	Jan. 24, 1844.	*G. M.* John McRae, Sr.	Do.	Friday,	
NEUSE,	6	Goldsboro'	Aug. 16, 1845.	*G. M.* Alexander McRae.	Do.	Saturday.	Daniel Cogdell, *N. G.* S. Singleton, *V. G.*, F. H. Hooks, *Sec.*, L. Peacock, *Treasurer.*
EUREKA,	7	Newbern,	Oct. 3, 1845.	Do.	Do.	Wednesday.	Israel Disosway, *N. G.*, James C. Justice, *V. G.*, C. J. White, *Sec.*, G. W. Denby, *Treasurer.*
MANTEO,	8	Raleigh,	Jan. 14, 1846.	Do.	Do.	Friday.	Edward Yarborough, *N. G.*, W. D. Cooke, *V. G.*, O. A. Buck, *Sec.*, W. R. Scott, *Treasurer.*

Mec. Dec.	9	Charlotte.	Oct. 24, 1846.	G. M., I. Disosway.	Do.	Tuesday.	J. Trotter, N. G., A. Bethune, V. G., A. R. Briard, *Sec.*, A. Springs, *Treasurer*.
Phalanx,	10	Washington.	Nov. 23, 1846.	Do.	Do.	Friday.	B. F. Hanks, N. G., O. W. Telfair, V. G., G. H. Brown, Sec., W. H. Taylor, Treasurer.
Concordia,	11	Beaufort.	Jan.—, 1847.	Do.	Do.	Friday.	
Trent,	12	Trenton.		Do.	Do.	Friday.	
Franklin,	13	Louisburg.	March 9, 1847.	*D. G. M.*, Ed. Yarborough.	Do.	Wednesday.	J. B. Littlejohn, N. G., Dr. P. S. Foster, V. G.
Achoree,	14	Elizabeth City.	May 1, 1847.	*P. G.*, R. W. Choate.	Do.	Friday.	J. C. B. Ehringhaus, N. G., W. B. Harrell, V. G., R. I. Saunders, *Sec.*, W. N. Simmons, *Treas.*
Henderson,	15	Henderson.	Aug. —, 1847.	G. M., W. H. McKee.	Do.	Saturday.	
Winchester,	16	Rocky Mount.		*P. G.*, P. Barber & P. G., J. H. Manly.		Saturday.	
Covenant,	17	Greenville.		P. G., B. F. Hanks.	Do.	Friday.	
Smyena,	18	Smyrna.				Saturday.	
Mountain,	19	Lincolnton.	Sept. 23, 1848.	D. D. G. M., A. Bethune.	Do.	Friday.	J. Stowe, N. G., W. Williamson V. G., J. M. Newson, *Sec.*, W. Lander, *Treasurer*.

MUCHENA,	20	Warrenton.	Sept. 20, 1848.	P. G., R. W. Choate.	Do.	Thursday.	J. Wilcox, N. G., D. Parrish, V. G., H. G. Goodlac, *Sec.*, J. McCormick, *Treasurer.*
BUENA VISTA,	21	Greensboro'.	June 4, 1848.	P. G. M., I. Dissosway.	Do.	Tuesday.	J. Sloan, N. G., S. Hopkins, V. G., E. Watson, *Sec.*, J. W. Howlett, *Treasurer.*
TUSCARORA,	22	Kinston.	March, 16, 1848.	G. M., B. F. Hanks.	Do.	Friday.	
TRYON,	23	Rutherfordton.	April 4, 1848.	D. D. G. M., A. Bethune.	Do.	Tuesday.	W. M. Ship, N.G., A. Hamby, V. G., T. A. Hardin, *Sec.*, J. N. Jay, *Treasurer.*
ORIENTAL,	24	Colerain.	May 24, 1849.	P. G. M., R. H. Worthington.	Do.	Thursday.	J. H. Ethridge, N. G., S. B. Barnard, V. G., Thos. Brown, *Sec.*, Lemuel Evans, *Treasurer.*
PIEDMONT,	25	Morganton.	July 24, 1849.	G. M., J. B. Newby.	Do.	Tuesday.	J. A. Dickson, N. G., R. D. McComb, V. G., J. M. Happoldt, *Sec.*, J. H. Murphy, *Treasurer.*
NORTH STATE,	26	Salisbury.	July 28, 1849.	G. M., J. B. Newby.	Do.		J. A. Wierman, N. G., A. Overman, V. G., R. D. Wilson, *Sec.*, R. Fox, *Treasurer.*
COLUMBUS,	27	Whitesville.	Oct. 13, 1849.	D. D. G. M., Jno. C. Wood.	Do.	Saturday.	Rev. H. Lennon, N. G., A. F. Toon, V. G., Wm. M. Baldwin, *Sec.*, T. L. Memory, *Treasurer.*
ESPERANZA,	28	Plymouth.	Oct. 26, 1849.	P. G., T. H. Hardenbergh.	Do.		J. G. Williams N. G., Ed. W. Jones, V. G., B. F. Fessenden, *Sec.*, Chas. Latham, *Treasurer.*
FALLING CR'K,	29	Rockingham.	Nov. 23, 1849.	G. M., J. B. Newby.	Do.	Monday.	W. L. Steele, N. G., Jno. R. Little, V. G., L. H. Webb, *Sec.*, F. A. Terry, *Treasurer.*
YADKIN.	30	Clemonsville.					

ABSTRACT of the Semi-Annual Reports of Subordinate Lodges under the jurisdiction of the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina, commencing January 1st, 1848, and ending December 30, 1848.

Names of Lodges.	Initiations.	Rejections.	Ad. by Card.	Withdrawn by Card.	Suspensions.	Expulsions.	Reinstated.	Deaths.	Past Grands.	No. of Mem'rs.	Amount of Revenue.	No. of Bro's Relieved.	Widows and Fam. relieved.	No. of Bro'rs Buried.	Am't paid for Bros Relief'd.	Am't paid for relief of Widows, &c.	Am't paid for Education of Orphans.	Funeral Benefits.	Total Am'nt of Relief.	Am't Due G. Lodge for the Y'r end'g Dec. 30th, 1848.
Cape Fear, No. 2.	17	5	4	5		3		4	25	182	837 49	16	1	2	226 75	20 00	239 43	60 00	446 18	41 87
Washington, " 3.				1					11	45	145 80	3			28 00				28 00	7 29
Cross Creek, " 4.	11	1	1	9	28			3	14	72	457 59	6			93 00				93 00	17 52
Thaddeus, " 5.	5			4	3	3			9	43	201 77	6			39 00				39 00	10 08
Neuse, " 6.	16	2	1	1	1	2		2	7	59	471 63	3	1	1	12 00		7 25	20 00	39 25	23 58
Eureka, " 7.	6	3	1	3	34		7		9	74	714 61	7			58 80		35 30		94 10	35 73
Manteo, " 8.	34	2	1	3				1	8	96	725 39	1			21 00				21 00	36 27
Meck. Dec., " 9.	11	3	1	7		1	1		5	55	326 66	4	1		90 00	29 00	19 00		138 00	16 33
Phalanx, " 10.	22	9		11				2	4	121	698 24	21	3	2	208 00	80 00		30 00	318 00	34 91
Concordia, " 11.	8			10				2	4	39	292 99	9		1	92 00			40 10	132 00	14 65
Trent, " 12.	2	1							4	15	85 78									4 29
Franklin, " 13.	7			6	1	1		1	4	35	390 49	2		1	27 00			20 00	47 00	19 52
Achoree, " 14.	23	7	3	1					2	55	719 87	3			21 00				21 00	35 41
Henderson, " 15.																				
Winchester, " 16.	12	6	1				1			28	342 70	2		1	6 00			12 00	18 00	17 13
Covenant, " 17.	13	1	8					1	3	20	271 98									13 59
Smyrna, " 18.	12		5						1	17	184 39									9 21
Mountain, " 19.	16	1	1							23	264 50									13 22
Muchuena, " 20.	13								1	21	367 68									18 38

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OFFICERS AND MEMBERS

OF THE

GRAND LODGE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

OFFICERS FOR 1849.

MOST WORTHY GRAND MASTER.

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RIGHT WORTHY GRAND TREASURER.

D. McMILLAN, *Wilmington.*

RIGHT WORTHY GRAND WARDEN.

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G. J. MUSGRAVE, *Elizabeth City.*

WORTHY GRAND CONDUCTOR.

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JOHN H. MANLY, *Raleigh.*

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PAST GRAND MASTERS.

JOHN CAMPBELL,	*Cape Fear Lodge, No.* 2.
R. H. WORTHINGTON,	*Washington Lodge, No.* 3.
JOHN McRAE, Sr.,	*Cape Fear Lodge, No.* 2.
ALEX. McRAE, Sr.	" " " "
ISRAEL DISOSWAY,	*Eureka Lodge, No.* 7.
WM. H. McKEE,	*Manteo Lodge, No.* 8.
BENJAMIN F. HANKS,	*Phalanx Lodge, No.* 10.

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Cape Fear Lodge, No. 3.

John Campbell,
Alexander McRae, Sr.
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Thomas H. Howey,
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Rev. B. L. Hopkins,
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John C. Wood,
Timothy L. Guess,
Alfred Bryant,
Talcott Burr, Jr.
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W. C. Howard,
Joseph McLaurin,
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Robert S. Parker,
James W. Hill,
Thomas J. Deans,
Benjamin A. Speres,
Ely Carter.
R. R. Parker,
Lewis T. Speres,
F. M. Capehart,
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James H. Lassiter,
William H. Banks,

Cross Creek Lodge, No. 4.

John McRae,
John Winslow,
Warren Winslow,
John Shaw,
Henry Lilly,
William T. Frizell,
G. A. Schwarzman,
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A. A. T. Smith,
Duncan G. McRae,
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Thaddeus Lodge, No. 5.

Thaddeus D. Love,
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John D. Love,
Lewis L. Herring,
Amma B. Chesnutt,

Alfred Johnson,
George Watkins,
Richard C. Holmes.

Neuse Lodge, No. 6.

Spyers Singleton,
W. S. G. Andrews,
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John Taylor,
James W. Doyal,
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Eureka Lodge, No 7.

Israel Disosway,
John Blackwell,
John M. Oliver,
Alexander C. Blount,
William Hoy,
J. Cicero Justice,
John Charlotte,
R. W. Choate,
John N. Washington.

Manteo Lodge, No. 8.

Edward Yarborough,
William D. Cooke,
William H. McKee,
Richard B. Haywood,
Perrin Busbee,
John H. Manly,
Thomas M. Oliver,
W. Dallas Haywood.
Isaac Proctor,

Mecklenburg Declaration Lodge, No. 9.

Joshua Trotter,
J. A. Young,
M. B. Taylor,
Alexander Bethune,
L. S. Williams.

Phalanx Lodge, No. 10.

Benjamin F. Hanks,
George H. Brown,
O. W. Telfair,
Thomas H. Hardenbergh.

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John W. Morgan,
Benjamin L. Perry,
M. F. Arendell,
Benjamin Leecraft, Jr.

Trent Lodge, No. 12.

J. D. Hines,
L. H. Missillier.

Franklin Lodge, No. 13.

Joseph B. Littlejohn, Benjamin B. Lewis,
Peter S. Foster, R. R. S. Lawrence.

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J. C. B. Ehringhaus, G. J. Musgrave,
William F. Martin, William H. Clark.

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Wm. B. Wolff, Sr., Armistead R. Burwell, Jr.,
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Winchester Lodge No. 16.

D. Furguson, R. B. Lawrence.
Pomroy Clark,

Covenant Lodge No. 17.

Goold Hoyt, S. B. Evans.

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Jasper Stowe, Wm. Williamson.

Muchuena Lodge No. 20.

Julius Wilcox.

Buena Vista Lodge No. 21.

John Sloan.

Tuscarora Lodge No. 22.

Th. Woodley.

Tryon Lodge No. 23.

W. M. Ship.

LIST OF CONTRIBUTING MEMBERS,

Belonging to the Subordinate Lodges under the jurisdiction of the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina, up to July 1st, 1849.

CAPE FEAR LODGE, NO. 2.

PAST GRANDS.

John Campbell,	John McRae, Jr.,	Alfred Bryant,
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Burr, W. A.	King, Thos. F.	Polley, Stephen P.
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Gray, Charles
Gill, Robertson
Guyer, W. A.
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Matthews, Mat.
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Sparrow, Wm. T.
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Wallace, T. C.
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Davidson, Jos. M. McDonald, John Weddington, F. S.
Davidson, E. C. Maxwell, F. H. Wriston, S. T.
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Bennett, Henry L.
Boddie, John S.
Edwards, Wm. E.
Fort, Jacob G.
Griffin, Thomas H.
Griffin, George H.
Hines, W. H.
Jakway, S. E.
Newby, Thomas
Peel, Henry W.
Pope, William E.
Ricks, Robert
Spicer, W. E.
Stephens, E. H.
Taylor, James F.
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PAST GRANDS.

Goold Hoyt, S. B. Evans.

MEMBERS.

Bernard, Wm. A.
Bernard, Germain
Dancey, J. J.
Evans, John
Evans, William
Evans, Amos
Greene, Zeno H.
Gorham, Thos. A.
Hines, Peter E.
Jordan, H. C.
Johnson, S. F.
Johnson, John V.
Knox, George
May, James W.
Nelson, James
O'Hagan, C. J.
Pierce, Nymphas A.
Satterthwaite, F. B.

SMYRNA LODGE, No. 18.

PAST GRAND.

Samuel E. Davis.

SCARLET DEGREE.

Davis, Jesse H.
Davis, Melvin J.
Hellen, Bryan
Lewis, William J.
Piver, James M.
Piver, Wilson F.
Rumley, W. W.
Whitehurst, D. W.

ROYAL BLUE DEGREE.

Hamilton, John W.

COVENANT DEGREE.

Davis, Calvin J.

WHITE DEGREE.

Davis, W. Jr.
Harker, Belcher
Styron, John W.
Willis, John T.

INITIATORY DEGREE.

Willis, George W.
Willis, Daniel C.

MOUNTAIN LODGE, No. 19.

PAST GRANDS

Jasper Stowe,
Wm. Williamson.

SCARLET DEGREE.

Alexander, W. H.
Burton, A. W.
Edwards, W. R.
Hoke, W. J.
Lander, Wm.
Motz, Andrew
Michal, Wm. H.
Newson, J. M.
Ramsour, A. A.
Ramsour, Wm.
Ramsour, Alex.
Stowe, S. N.
Williamson, Robert

COVENANT DEGREE

Slade, Thomas T.

INITIATORY DEGREE.

Cabiniss, H. DeK.
Hanby, Rev. Allen
Jay, James V.
Lander, Rev. Sam.
Rutherford, James
Shipp, Wm. M.

MUCHUENA LODGE, No. 20.

PAST GRAND.

Julius Wilcox.

SCARLET DEGREE.

Bobbitt, Wm. H.	McCormick, J.	Rice, E. T.
Crabtree, Wm. C.	Minatree, J. J.	Twitty, Thomas T.
Duke, James L.	Mosely, James L.	White, John
Goodloe, H. G.	Parrish, David	Wilson, John M.
Holt, Jacob W.	Price, John M.	Watson, Wm.
Jones, H. J.		

COVENANT DEGREE.

Alsobrook, Jacob	Graves, Rev. N. Z.	Stanmire, H. H.

BUENA VISTA LODGE, No. 21.

PAST GRAND.

John Sloan.

MEMBERS.

Anderson, H. S.	Coffin, C.	Ogburn, E. W.
Anderson, W. M.	Close, J. S.	Patrick, T. J.
Brown, M.	Forster, Rev. F. X.	Schoolfield, S. D.
Black, M. S.	Gilmer, W. S.	Shelton, J.
Booken, G. W.	Gillispie, B.	Thurston, P.
Caldwell, A. C.	Mendenhall, C. P.	Weatherly, A.

GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT TO THE GRAND LODGE OF THE UNITED STATES.

ANNUAL REPORT OF RELIEF

Of Subordinate Lodges under the jurisdiction of the R. W. Grand Lodge of the State of North Carolina, I. O. O. F., showing the relief in the year commencing July 1st, 1848, and ending June 30th, 1849.

Names of Lodges.	No. of Bro's. Relieved.	No. of Widowed Families Relieved.	No. of Bro's. Buried.	Amount paid for Relief of Brothers.	Amount paid for Relief of Widow'd Families.	Amount paid for Education of Orphans.	Amount paid for Burying the Dead.	Total.
Cape Fear, No. 2.	26	2	3	$300 00	$33 00	$75 43	$60 00	$468 43
Washington, " 3.	5			54 00				54 00
Cross Creek, " 4.	7			73 50				73 50
Thaddeus, " 5.	8	1	1	60 00			20 00	60 00
Neuse, " 6.	3		1	12 00		7 25	20 00	39 25
Eureka, " 7.	11			67 37		12 80		80 17
Manteo, " 8.	3			64 00				64 00
Phalanx, " 10.	27	6	1	276 00	154 80	14 00	30 00	474 00
Franklin, " 13.	1			5 00				5 00
Achoree, " 14.	5			70 00				70 00
Winchester, " 16.	5			24 00				24 00
Covenant, " 17.	1		1	4 00				4 00
Mountain, " 19.	2	1		15 00	5 00			20 00
Muchuena, " 20.	1			6 66				6 66
	105	10	7	$1,031 53	$192 00	$109 48	$130 00	$1,442 01

REPORT of the R. W. Grand Lodge of the State of North Carolina, to the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States, commencing July 1st, 1848, and ending June 30, 1849.

Name.	No.	Where held.	County.	Time of Meeting.	Initiations.	Rejections.	Ad. by Card.	Withdrawn by Card.	Reinstated.	Suspensions.	Expulsions.	Deaths.	Past Grands.	Whole amount of Revenue.	No. of Contributing Members.
Cape Fear,	2.	Wilmington,	New Hanover,	Tuesday,	20	5	2	13			9	4	26	$943 04	181
Washington,	3.	Murfreesborough,	Hertford,	Friday.	1		4	10				1	11	132 66	39
Cross Creek,	4.	Fayetteville,	Cumberland,	Friday,	5		1	6	1	28		3	14	348 84	72
Thaddeus,	5.	Clinton,	Duplin,	do.	2			1		4	4	1	9	164 01	43
Neuse,	6.	Goldsborough,	Wayne,	Saturday,	10	1	2	3		3	3	2	8	370 33	56
Eureka,	7.	Newbern,	Craven,	Friday,	3		1	7	14	54			10	515 97	62
Manteo,	8.	Raleigh,	Wake,	do.	17			9				1	10	584 68	99
Meck. Declaration.	9.	Charlotte,	Mecklenburg,	Tuesday,											
Phalanx,	10.	Washington,	Beaufort,	Friday,	16	5		8		1		3	5	577 01	117
Concordia,	11.	Beaufort,	Carteret,	do.											
Trent.	12.	Trenton,	Jones,	do.											
Franklin,	13.	Louisburg,	Franklin,	Wednesday,	3		1	5		1	1		9	174 66	35
Achoree,	14.	Elizabeth City,	Pasquotank	Friday,	25	5	1	2		1	1		3	697 64	71
Henderson,	15.	Henderson,	Granville,												
Winchester,	16.	Rocky Mount,	Edgecomb,	Saturday,	16	5		4	2	1	1		3	422 15	26
Covenant,	17.	Greenville,	Pitt,	Friday,	20	3	8				1	2	1	472 23	24
Smyrna,	18.	Smyrna,	Carteret,	Saturday,											
Mountain,	19.	Lincolnton,	Lincoln,	Friday,	30		3	10					2	610 37	29
Muchuena,	20.	Warrenton,	Warren,	Thursday,	41	1	5	7		1			2	902 17	49
Buena Vista,	21.	Greensboro',	Guilford,	Tuesday,	19		1							289 00	19
Tuscarora,	22.	Kinston,	Lenoir,	Friday,	3	3	5						1	61 43	8
Tryon,	23.	Rutherfordton,	Rutherford,	do.											
Oriental,	24.	Colerain,	Bertie,	Thursday,	18		10	3					1	407 68	25
Piedmont,	25.	Morganton,	Burke,	Tuesday,											
North State,	26.	Salisbury,	Rowan,	do.											
					249	28	44	88	17	94	20	17	115	$7,673 17	955

Names of Officers Elected and Installed for the Term commencing January 1st, 1849.

Noble Grands.	Vice Grands.	Secretaries.
	Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2.	
W. L. Smith,	A. T. McCallum,	A. P. Repiton.
	Washington Lodge, No. 3.	
H. G. Trader,	L. T. Spiers,	F. M. Capeheart.
	Cross Creek Lodge, No. 4.	
C. Lutterloh,	T. M. Sackett,	John Smith.
	Thaddeus Lodge, No. 5.	
Thos. J. Holland,	J. C. Carroll,	J. H. Roberts.
	Neuse Lodge, No. 6.	
W. R. Musgrave,	Silas Webb,	S. D. Phillips.
	Eureka Lodge, No. 7.	
J. E. Morris,	M. Stevenson, Jr.	C. J. White.
	Manteo Lodge, No. 8.	
P. F. Pescud,	Wm. R. Scott,	John G. Wiliams.
	Mecklenburg Declaration Lodge, No. 9.	
John Rigler,	Robert Shaw,	Samuel E. Belk.
	Phalanx Lodge, No. 10.	
B. F. Hanks,	J. B. Williams,	Jos. B. Hodges, John Tyler, *Treas.*
	Concordia Lodge, No. 11.	
Horatio H. Willis,	David W. Morse,	Josiah F. Bell.

Trent Lodge, No. 12.

[*No Report.*]

Franklin Lodge, No. 13.

DeW. C. Stone, A. W. Lewis, W. H. Furman.

Achorce Lodge, No. 14.

John Pool, James C. Scott, James W. Hinton,
W. Newbold, *Tr.*

Winchester Lodge, No. 16.

B. C. Watson, Thos. H. Griffin, D. Ferguson.

Covenant Lodge, No. 17.

Zeno H. Greene, Germain Bernard, S. S. Hathaway.

Smyrna Lodge, No. 18.

D. W. Whitehurst, M. J. Davis, Sam'l E. Davis,
W. W. Rumley, *Tr.*

Mountain Lodge, No. 19.

W. Lander, Wm. H. Michael, A. W. Burton,
W. Alexander, *Tr.*

Muchuena Lodge, No. 20.

John M. Price, T. A. Montgomery, Thomas Reynolds.

Buena Vista Lodge, No. 21.

Solomon Hopkins, A. S. Porter, A. C. Caldwell,
Peter Thurston, *Tr.*

Tuscarora Lodge, No. 22.

W. H. Whitfield, Geo. W. Venters, Thos. Woodley.

Tryon Lodge, No. 23.

Thos. A. Hayden, J. V. Jay, D. J. Twitty,
J. W. Calloway, *Tr.*

Oriental Lodge, No. 24.

Rev. James Delk, Preston Perry, Dr. Thos. Brown.

Piedmont Lodge, No. 25.

R. D. McCombs, John H. Murphy, G. W. Garrett.

North State Lodge, No. 26.

John A. Wierman, Albert Overman, John H. Hardie,
Richard Fox, *Tr.*

Columbus Lodge, No. 27.

Rev. H. Lennon, A. F. Toon, Wm. M. Baldwin,
T. S. Memory, *Tr.*

Esperanza Lodge, No. 28.

John G. Williams, E. W. Jones, F. F. Fagan,
C. Latham, *Tr.*

INDEPENDENT ORDER OF ODD FELLOWS.

FRIENDSHIP, LOVE AND TRUTH.

ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

OF THE

RIGHT WORTHY GRAND LODGE

OF THE

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Held at the City of Raleigh, May, 1850.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 8, 1850.

The R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina convened this day at 10 o'clock, in the Hall of Manteo Lodge, No. 8, when the following officers were present:

J. B. NEWBY,	*M. W. Grand Master.*
P. BUSBEE,	*R. W. D. Grand Master, (pro tem.)*
WILLIAM D. COOKE,	*R. W. Grand Secretary.*
T. H. HARDENBERGH,	*R. W. Grand Treasurer, (pro tem.)*
JULIUS WILCOX,	*R. W. Grand Warden.*
REV. A. P. REPITON,	*R. W. Grand Chaplain.*
O. W. TELFAIR,	*W. Grand Conductor.*
GEORGE LAUDER,	*W. Grand Guardian, (pro tem.)*

The Grand Lodge was called to order by the M. W. Grand Master, and opened in due form.

Prayer by the R. W. Grand Chaplain.

The reading of the Proceedings of the last Annual Com-

munication was commenced, when on motion of Rep. A. P. Repiton, the further reading of the minutes was dispensed with, and member furnished with a printed copy.

The R. W. Grand Master appointed the following *Committee on Credentials:*

Reps. A. P. Repiton, O. W. Telfair, and W. H. McKee, who submitted the following report which was concurred in.

Report of Committee on Credentials.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee appointed to examine the Credentials of Representatives and Past Grands, report the following as correct.

[In order that the names of all the Representatives may appear together *all* are included in this whether reported at the time or subsequently.]

Lodges.	No.	Representatives and Past Grands.
Cape Fear	2, *P. G.*,	W. L. Smith, *Rep.*
"	" "	T. M. Gardner.
Washington	3, "	H. G. Trader, *Rep.*
Cross Creek	4, "	George Lauder, *Rep.*
"	" "	S. G. Smith.
Thaddeus	5, "	Thos. J. Holland, *Rep.*
Neuse	6, "	W. R. Musgrave, *Rep.*
"	" "	C. J. Nelson, *Alternate Rep.*
Eureka	7, "	Jno. N. Washington, *Rep.*
Manteo	8, "	Thos. M. Oliver, *Rep.*
"	" "	W. D. Haywood.
"	" "	I. Proctor.
"	" *P. G. W.*,	Dr. R. B. Haywood.
"	" *P. G. M.*,	Dr. W. H. McKee.
"	" "	P. Busbee.
Mecklenburg Declaration	9, *P. D. G. M.*,	Ed. Yarborough, (*proxy.*)
Phalanx	10, *P. G.*,	T. H. Hardenbergh, *Rep.*
Concordia	11,	
Trent	12,	
Franklin	13,	DeWitt C. Stone, *Rep.*
Achoree	14,	
Winchester	16,	
Covenant	17,	
Smyrna	18,	
Mountain	19, *P. G. M.*,	Dr. W. H. McKee, (*proxy.*)
Muchuena	20, *P. G.*,	David Parrish, *Rep.*
Buena Vista	21,	
Tuscarora	22,	James B. Webb, *Rep.*

Tryon	23,	
Oriental	24,	
Piedmont	25,	
North State	26, *P. G.*,	T. M. Oliver, (*proxy.*)
Columbus	27,	
Esperanza	28, *P. G.*,	T. H. Harbenbergh, (*proxy.*)
Falling Creek	29, "	George Lauder, (*proxy.*)
Yadkin	30, *P. G. S.*,	Wm. D. Cooke, (*proxy.*)

The Committee have in their possession satisfactory evidence that the above named Representatives are all entitled to the Past Grand and Grand Lodge Degrees.

Very respectfully submitted,

A. P. REPITON,
O. W. TELFAIR,
W. H. McKEE.

On motion of P. G. M., W. H. McKee, those of the above named Representatives who had not previously received the P. G. and G. L. Degrees were introduced and the Degrees conferred by the R. W. Grand Warden.

On motion of Rep. P. Busbee, Bro. Porter, a Scarlet member of Manteo Lodge, No. 8, was appointed to take charge of the Lodge room during the sessions of the Grand Lodge, and perform such other duties as the Grand Lodge may direct.

The M. W. Grand Master presented his Annual Communication to the Grand Lodge.

REPORT OF GRAND MASTER.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

OFFICERS AND PAST GRANDS:

In accordance with custom and usage, I beg leave to lay before you a brief detail of my official acts during the past year.

Before doing so, however, permit me to congratulate you on the success which has attended our laudable efforts during the year just closed, and the glorious prospects of a bright Future which are opening upon our cause in the good Old North State.

It is believed that the progress of Odd Fellowship has been more rapid during the past, than during any year since its organization, within this jurisdiction. Not only have a greater number of Lodges been instituted, but those previously in existence have all, or nearly all, been prosperous—even beyond the expectations of the most sanguine.

And while this has been the case, the returns made to the Grand Secretary show that the amount of Relief afforded has been fully twenty-five per cent. more than during any previous year.

The Order is taking a deep hold upon the affections of our people; and from the indications afforded by the experience of the past year, it would appear that they are becoming keenly alive to its great moral and social advantages.

May we not hope that the proverbial intelligence and morality of our good citizens will lead them to encourage an Institution whose objects are so noble and exalted! And that, ere long, every village and hamlet will bask under the benign influences of our beloved Order! *So mote it be!*

At your last Annual Communication, a Charter was granted for a Lodge, to be instituted at Colerain, Bertie County. This Lodge was duly instituted on the 24th of May last, by *P. G. M.*, R. H. Worthington, D. D. Grand Master for the Roanoke District. It is called "ORIENTAL LODGE, No. 24."

I have granted Dispensations, by virtue of which Lodges have been, or will be, instituted, as follows:

"PIEDMONT LODGE, No. 25," at Morganton, Burke County. Instituted July 24, 1849.

"NORTH STATE LODGE, No. 26," at Salisbury, Rowan County.—Instituted July 28, 1849.

In consequence of Petitions for the Institution of the above-named Lodges, and feeling it my duty to institute as many of the Lodges personally as my time and opportunities would permit, I left home about the middle of July last and proceeded to Morganton, where I instituted the Lodge as above stated. On my return to Salisbury, I also instituted the Lodge at that place.

And here I beg leave to express my sense of the kindness and courtesy extended to me by many of the warm-hearted Brothers of the West—(those of Mountain Lodge at Lincolnton especially, several of whom accompanied me to Morganton, and were of material assistance in instituting the Lodge there.)

"COLUMBUS LODGE, No. 27," at Whiteville, Columbus County, was instituted on the 13th of October, 1849, by *D. D. G. M.*, John C. Wood.

"ESPERANZA LODGE, No. 28," at Plymouth, Washington, County. Instituted October 26, 1849. *P. G.*, J. C. Justice, District Deputy

Grand Master for the Newbern Distict, being unable to attend to the duty of instituting this Lodge, I deputized *P. G.*, Thomas. H. Hardenbergh, of Phalanx Lodge, No. 10, who performed said duty.

"Falling Creek Lodge, No, 29," at Rockingham, Richmond County. This Lodge was also instituted by myself, on the 22nd of November, 1849.

"Yadkin Lodge, No. 30," at Clemmonsville, Davidson County. Instituted April 27, 1850, by *P. G.*, John Sloan, of Buena Vista Lodge, No. 21.

"Samaritan Lodge, No. —," at Chapel Hill, Orange County, and ——— Lodge, No. —, at Snowhill, Greene County. [The Dispensations for these two Lodges have been granted very recently, and I have as yet received no report of their Institution.]

I have received a Petition for the Institution of a Lodge at Smithfield, Johnson County. The Petitioners neglected, however, to send their Withdrawal Cards, and I did not think proper to grant a Dispensation without them. The Petition not being in regular form, there was no evidence before me to show that the Petitioners had obtained such Cards.

I have likewise received a Petition for the restoration of the Charter of Weldon Lodge No. 1. This also I was reluctantly compelled to decline granting;—the Petition not being signed by "a sufficient number of its original members."

It is hoped and believed, however, that not a very long time will elapse before Lodges will be in operation at both of these places.

These Lodges—at least those in actual existence—are flourishing, and I respectfully recommend that Charters be granted for the same.

There is, perhaps, no power conferred upon the Grand Master, the exercise of which demands more prudence and discretion, than that of granting Dispensations for the Institution of Subordinate Lodges. And it should be the duty of Petitioners in such cases, and likewise of members of the Order generally, to give any and all information which may tend to enlighten the mind of the Chief Executive Officer, not only in regard to the prospects of success of the Lodges sought to be Instituted, but also in regard to the characters and qualifications of the Petitioners.

The opinion prevails, perhaps to some extent, that it is only necessary to forward a Petition, and if all things be in regular form, that a Dispensation is granted *of course*. This I regard as a very great

error. Many causes may sometimes exist which would render the granting of a Dispensation highly improper, and so far from being for the "good of the Order," would rather tend to its injury and downfall. Hence the Grand Master should have the advantage of all the information possible to afford him.

During my brief visit to the Western part of the State, I was more than ever impressed with the importance of adopting some system by which the expenses of Representatives to this Grand Lodge shall be paid by this body. The Lodges of the West are most of them weak in regard to number of members, and owing to their greater distance from the place of meeting of the Grand Lodge, and the more expensive rates of travelling, the burden of paying the expenses of Representatives falls much heavier upon them than upon the Lodges of the East, which have generally a larger number of members, besides being more conveniently situated to the City of Raleigh.

In addition to this, it is of very great importance that *every* Lodge should have a Representative *here*. And while we will bring to our aid that *talent*, and zeal for the Order, which, rather than numbers, constitutes the *strength* of the Western Lodges, we shall be enabled to aid in dispelling those *old sectional prejudices*, which have too long distracted and divided the people of our State, and will likewise strengthen the bonds of that glorious Brotherhood, whose triple-linked chain encircles our whole vast country.

At your last Annual Communication, a Resolution was adopted, appropriating the sum of Fifty Dollars for the education of the son of *P. G.*, Arch'd Boykin, deceased, of the late Weldon Lodge, No. 1. I accordingly drew an order on the Grand Treasurer for the amount, directed that it be forwarded to *P. G. M.*, John Campbell, at Weldon.

Allow me here to remind you of the importance and necessity of creating a Fund for the maintainance of the Widows and education of the Orphans, of members of the Order in good standing, in cases where the Lodges to which they belonged shall cease to exist, either by forfeiture of Charter or otherwise; or where the Subordinate Lodges, though still existing, shall be unable to afford that amount of relief which circumstances may demand.

At your Annual Communication in May, 1844, it was

"*Resolved*, That this Grand Lodge is pledged to provide for the education of orphan children of the members of this Order, whose circumstances shall require such aid as the Lodges to which their fathers belonged shall be unable to extend to them."

And it was also

"*Resolved*, That whenever a Lodge shall surrender its Charter to this Grand Lodge, it shall be the duty of the Secretary of such Lodge to furnish the Grand Secretary a list of the names of all the members of such Lodge," &c., and "also the number and names of widows and orphans of deceased members. And that the Grand Secretary shall issue a certificate or card to the Widows of such deceased members as were in good standing at the time of their death."

To carry out the wishes of the Grand Lodge, as expressed in the above resolutions, I beg leave respectfully to suggest to your consideration and approbation—

First. That all moneys remaining in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated, except so much as may be necessary to meet the current expenses of the ensuing year, be invested in safe Bank Stocks, and be known as "The Widows' and Orphans' Fund" of this Grand Lodge.

Second. That the interest of this Fund be applied to the support of the Widows and education of the Orphans of members of defunct Lodges within this jurisdiction.

Third. That a Committee be annually elected by ballot, (of which the Grand Master shall be *ex officio* Chairman,) who shall have charge of the disbursement of this Fund, and to whom all applications for Relief shall be made,

Fourth. That this Committee be required to keep an accurate record of their proceedings, and make report to each Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge ; and that they have power to grant such amount of relief in each case as may be considered necessary, not exceeding a specified sum.

It would also be proper, should your Body see fit to adopt such a plan as is recommended, that the Committee be authorized to receive donations to said Fund, either from Lodges or individuals.

When it is considered that many of our Subordinate Lodges are located in small villages, with a very limited number of members, and that such Lodges are liable, from causes impossible to control, to lose their existence, it would seem but an act of justice, without regard to prudential reasons, that the Grand Lodge should place itself in a situation to meet any responsibilties which might be incurred thereby.

Trusting, therefore, that the subject will meet with that consideration at your hands which its importance demands, it is respectfully submitted to your superior wisdom.

Circumstances connected with the action of the Grand Lodge of the United States, at its last Annual Communiction, have had the effect of bringing about a state of feeling sincerely to be regretted. As, however, the Report of your Grand Representatives will doubtless explain all the causes of difference, it is deemed improper to enlarge upon the subject in this Report.

In addition to the order for Fifty Dollars, drawn on the Treasurer as above stated, two other orders have been drawn. One for $160, to pay the expenses of our Grand Representatives, and also the Representative tax; and one for Thirteen Dollars, in favor of *P. G.* John C. Wood, for travelling and incidental expenses incurred in the Institution of Columbus Lodge, No. 27.

I have granted Dispensations to Mountain Lodge, No. 19, to change time of meeting from Friday to Wednesday; Tuscarora Lodge, No. 22, to change time of meeting from Friday to Saturday; and to North State Lodge, No. 26, to change time of meeting from Friday to Tuesday.

I have granted permission to the following Lodges to have Public Addresses, Dedicatory Ceremonies, public Processions in Regalia, &c:

Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2; Cross Creek Lodge, No. 4; Manteo Lodge, No. 8; Buena Vista Lodge, No. 21; Tuscarora Lodge, No. 22; Tryon Lodge, No. 23; and Esperanza Lodge, No. 28.

I have also granted permission to —— Lodge, No. —, Danville, Va., to Initiate as many citizens of Milton, N. C., as may be necessary to Institute a Lodge. And also to Magnolia Lodge, No. 21, Marion Court House, South Carolina, to Initiate a citizen of Anson County. in this State.

I have received during the year, $180 for Charter fees, and also the Dues from Cross Creek Lodge, amounting to $20 74,—making in all $200 74.

I have paid out, for expenses attending the Institution of Lodges' Books, Postage, &c., about $125. A more particular account of which will be submitted to the Committee of Finance.

The stock of Books, &c., being nearly exhausted, I procured a supply from the Grand Cor. and Rec. Secretary at Baltimore, the bill for which, (amounting to $32,) I paid out of funds in my hands.

The correspondence of this office has been very voluminous during the past year. As some matters connected with it, however, could not properly be mentioned here, it is thought better that the whole be placed in the hands of the appropriate Committee.

In conclusion, permit me to return my warmest thanks for the high honor conferred in placing me at the head of the Order in the State; and allow me to express the hope, that in the selection of my successor, your choice may fall upon one better qualified to discharge the arduous and responsible duties of this office.

Fraternally yours,

J. B. NEWBY, *G. M.*

Rep. John N. Washington moved that the report of the Grand Master be referred to a Select Committee of three to classify and distribute the subjects in said report, which motion, was agreed to.

The Grand Master appointed on said Committee Reps. John N. Washington, C. J. Nelson, and Thos. M. Oliver.

The Grand Master appointed the following Standing Committees:

Committee on Credentials.—Reps. A. P. Repiton, O. W. Telfair and W. H. McKee.

Committee on the State of the Order of the Order.—Reps. John N. Washington, R. B. Haywood, and W. L. Smith.

Committee on Petitions.—Reps. O. W. Telfair, J. D. Gardner and C. J. Nelson.

Committee of Finance.—Reps. W. L. Smith, W. H. McKee and DeW. C. Stone.

Committee on Returns and Reports of Subordinate Lodges. Reps. T. H. Hardenbergh, W. R. Musgrave and George Lauder.

Committee on Constitutions, By-Laws and Rules of Order. Reps. R. B. Haywood, H. G. Trader and J. D. Gardner.

Committee on Correspondence.—Reps. Perrin Busbee, J. B. Webb and Ed. Yarborough.

Committee on Subordinate Lodges not represented.—Reps. W. R. Musgrave, T. J. Holland and A. P. Repiton.

The Committee on Credentials, reported that they had received and examined the certificate of Past Grand T. M. Oliver as Representative by proxy of North State Lodge, No.

26, and recommend that he be admitted and recognised as representative of that Lodge.

The report was concurred in.

On motion, the Grand Lodge adjourned to meet at 3 o'clock, P. M.

MAY 8th—3 o'clock, P. M.

The Grand Lodge met according to adjournment.

The Committee on Credentials reported that they had examined the certificates of the following Representatives, and find them correct.

P. G., Rev. James Delk, Oriental Lodge, No. 24.
" Henry G. Trader, Washington " " 3.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. McKEE,
O. W. TELFAIR.

The Select Committee on the classification of the Grand Master's Annual Communication, submitted the following Report:

The Committee to whom was referred the Report of the Most Worthy Grand Master, with the duty of distributing its different subjects for the action of the appropriate Committees, have performed that duty, and beg leave to recommend the following, viz:

1st. On granting charters to Lodges working under Dispensations from the Grand Master. *To the Committee on Petitions.*

2nd. On the application for the institution of a Lodge at Smithfield, Johnston County. *To the Committee on Petitions.*

3rd. On the Petition for the restoration of the Charter to Weldon Lodge, No. 1. *To the Committee on the State of the Order.*

4th. On the proper use of the Power delegated to the Grand Master, of granting Dispensations for the opening Lodges. *To the Committee on the State of the Order.*

5th. On the propriety of the Grand Lodge paying the expenses of Representatives. *To a Select Committee of three.*

6th. On the propriety of creating a fund for the maintenance of Widows and Orphans. *To a Select Committee of three.*

7th. So much as refers to Orders drawn on the Grand Treasurer, and monies received and paid out by the Grand Master; also bills for books

furnished by the Grand Lodge of the United States. *To the Committee on Finance.*

8th. So much as refers to granting Tuscarora Lodge, No. 22, and North State Lodge, No. 26, permission to change the time of meeting. *To the Committee on the State of the Order.*

9th. So much as refers to granting Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2,—Cross Creek Lodge, No. 4,—Manteo Lodge, No. 8,—Buena Vista Lodge, No. 21,—Tuscarora Lodge, 22,—Tryon Lodge, No. 23,—and Esperanza Lodge, No. 28, permission to have public addresses, Dedicatory ceremonies, public Processions in Regalia, &c. *To the Committee on the State of the Order.*

10th. So much as refers to granting permission to ——— Lodge No. — Danville, Va., to initiate as many citizens of Milton, N. C., as may be necessary to institute a Lodge; also to Magnolia Lodge, No. 21, Marion Court House, S. C., to initiate a citizen of Anson County in this State.—*To a Select Committee of three.*

11th. The Official Correspondence of the Grand Master. *To the Committee on Correspondence.*

All of which is respectfully submitted,

JOHN N. WASHINGTON,
C. J. NELSON,
THOMAS M. OLIVER.

On motion, the Report was adopted.

The Grand Master appointed the following *Select Committees*, in complaiance with the above Report:

Committee on paying the Expenses of the Representatives. Reps. T. H. Hardenbergh, J. Delk and W. R. Musgrave.

Committee on creating a Widow's and Orphan's Fund.—Reps. R. B. Haywood, H. G. Trader and J. D. Gardner.

Committee on permission to initiate citizens of Milton in a Lodge out of the State, &c.—Reps. W. L. Smith, Thomas J. Holland and James Delk.

Rep. T. H. Hardenbergh offered the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on the State of the Order be instructed to take into consideration and report upon the expediency of changing the P. W. quarterly.

The Grand Representatives to the Grand Lodge of the United States, Past Grands J. H. Manly and Talcott Burr, Jr., not being present, their report to the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, was read by the Grand Secretary, Wm. D. Cooke.

REPORT OF THE

R. W. GRAND REPRESENTATIVES TO THE G. L. U. S.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of the State of North Carolina:

Having been honored by your Right Worthy Body to seats in the G. L. U. S., as Representatives of the Order in North Carolina, we proceeded to Baltimore, and attended the Annual Communication for the year 1849, commencing Sept, 17th; meeting the Representatives of 28 Grand Lodges and 23 Grand Encampments, together with five P. G. Sires, and we take this occasion at once to congratulate you, and to express our own pleasure in witnessing their deliberations, patronized and guided by so much intelligence and virtue.

The subjects of Legislation were numerous and important, sometimes exciting by the exercise of wisdom, experience, and a characteristic sacrifice of the pride of opinion directed in harmony their united efforts to distinguish the utility, and integrity of the Order every where.

It is not our desire to call your attention to all the proceedings of that body during its session, but we will content ourselves by asking your indulgence in presenting a few of its most prominent acts.

1. *Amendment of Constitution of G. L. of N. C.* The Constitution of the G. L. of North Carolina, as amended at its last Annual Communication was approved,

2. *How an Odd Fellow whose Card has expired can reunite himself to the Order.* The inquiry ordered to be propounded by the G. L. of North Carolina, by resolution of Rep. Justice, to-wit:—"How an Odd Fellow whose card had expired should proceed to re-unite himself with the Order," was not made in open Lodge for the reason that the answer already existed in the proceedings of that Grand Body. Application must be made as for original membership, the fees to be regulated by State jurisdiction, no formal initiation required in such cases.

3. *Representatives G. L. U. S.* The power of appointing a Grand Representative in the event of a vacancy, may be vested by a Grand Lodge in its officers. Alternates are not

recognized—neither is a Grand Representative required to be a contributing member of a Subordinate Encampment. *Proceedings G. L. U. S. Vol. 3, page* 348, 370.

4. *Acting N. G.* A V. G. acting as N. G. must wear N. G's Regalia.—*Ibid* 353.

5. A citizen may be initiated in any Lodge in any adjoining State or Territory when there is none in his own.—*Ibid Vol. 3 page* 278, 380, 390.

6. *By-Law interpreted.* No candidate can be initiated into a Lodge remote or proximate in a different jurisdiction from that in which he resides, unless the consent of the Grand Lodge or Grand Master of his jurisdiction first be obtained which, legally authenticated consent shall accompany his application.—*Ibid page* 280, 371, 390.

7. *Infirmity a disqualification.* No person can be admitted into the Order who is deprived of sight, or of hearing or of the power of speech.—*Ibid, pp*, 276, 348, 262.

8. *Religious Test.* No peculiar views which do not affect the belief of an applicant "in a Supreme Being the Creator and Preserver of the Universe," disqualify him for admission to the Order.—*Ibid, pp.* 282, 381, 391.

9. *Admission of unworthy persons.* If an unworthy person be admitted into the Order, his initiation is nevertheless valid and he must be expelled after trial upon charges duly filed.—*Ibid, pp.* 284, 353, 389.

10. *Expunging of Record.* It is not competent for an Encampment (or Lodge) to rescind from its minutes the record of the election of a member.—*G. Sire Kneass decision, Ibid pp.* 268. 372, 391.

11. *Resignation in Writing.* A member in good standing, may sever his connection with the Order, by a written resignation.—*Ibid, pp.* 279, 327, 358.

12. *Suspension.* The suspension of a member terminates by its limitation, and he becomes reinstated without action on the part of his Lodge.—*Ibid, pp.* 383, 391.

13. *Expulsion of Suspended members.* A member under suspension is still liable to discipline for unworthy conduct,

and may be expelled.—*Ibid, pp.* 277, 380, 390. Also, 383, 391.

14. *Deposit of Card.* A member may deposit his card in a Lodge in a State other than that in which he resides, provided such Lodge is nearest his residence, and that the consent of the jurisdiction under which the Lodge exists be first obtained.—*Ibid, pp.* 278, 327, 357.

15. *Rejection of Card.* If an application for membership by deposit of card be rejected, the card must be returned to the applicant.—*Ibid, pp.* 277, 327, 357.

16. *Price of Depositing.* The price of the depositing of cards and the claims to benefits under them, are determined by the local authorities.—*Ibid, pp.* 281. 329, 358.

17. *Final Card.* An application for a final card may be withdrawn at any time previous to a vote thereon.—*Ibid, pp.* 279, 350, 389.

18. *Card from Suspended Lodge.* A final card is not affected by the suspension or expulsion of the Lodge from which it issues after the grant thereof. Otherwise with a travelling card.—*Ibid, pp.* 276, 348, 362,

19. *Priviliges of Final Card.* The holder of a final card may join in a funeral or other procession, with consent of the Lodge, having direction of the same. But not as a *right* pertaining to such card.—*Ibid, pp.* 279, 349, 381, 391.

20. *Final Card Expired.* A Lodge has no power over the holder of a final card after its limitation of twelve months. —*Ibid, pp.* 279, 354, 389.

21. *Suspended or Expelled Lodges.* No officer elected, nor member admitted, nor act performed by a Lodge during its suspension or expulsion can be recognized or legalized. By the reinstatement of a Lodge, the rights, privileges and duties of the officers and members revive as if there had been no interruption.—*G. Sire Kneass decision, Ibid, pp.* 268, 372, 391.

22. *Defunct Lodges.* The restoration of a charter to a certain number of the members of a Defunct Lodge does not restore all who were in good standing when the Lodge ceased to exist.—*Ibid, pp.* 355, 390.

23. *Patriarch, Member of Suspended Lodge.* If a patriarch be a member of a suspended Lodge, his membership in the Encampment ceases. But upon reinstatement of his Lodge and re-election to his Encampment, he cannot be charged for dues by the latter for the intervening time.—*G. Sire Kneass decision, Ibid*, pp. 268, 372, 391.

24. *Contempt Defined.* The refusal, or wilful neglect of a member to appear and answer to charges preferred against him constitutes contempt, within the meaning of the Digest. *Div.* 3, *Art*, 3, § 25. *Ibid*, pp. 273, 380, 390.

25. *Divorced Wife as Witness.* Divorce from the bond of matrimony renders a woman competent to testify in the case of her husband. Otherwise if the divorce be from bed and board.—*Ibid.*

26. *Display of Emblems.* No member can use the Emblems of the Order by way of advertisement or public display not directly appertaining to the wants of the Order.—*Ibid*, pp. 279, 349, 363.

27. *Representatives in Grand Lodges.* If a Grand Lodge adopt "a representative basis," its representatives must consist of P. G's.—*G. Sire Kneass decision, Ibid*, pp. 268, 372, 391.

28. *Officers of Grand Lodge.* A Grand Lodge may appoint such officers, additional to those named of the Digest, as its wants may require.—*Ibid*, pp. 282, 381, 391.

29. *Officers of Subordinate.* A Grand Lodge cannot elect an officer for a Subordinate.—*Ibid.*

30. *Grand Master.* A Grand Master has the right to take part in the proceedings of his Subordinate Lodge.—*Ibid*, pp. 283, 381, 391.

31. *Lectures.* A Grand Master cannot authorize the delivery of lectures upon Odd Fellowship. That power rests with the Grand Lodge.—*G. Sire Kneass decision, Ibid*, pp. 268, 372, 391.

32. *Grand Marshal.* It is the duty of a Grand Marshal, when his Grand Lodge appears in processions or at visitations, to take charge of the same, and make arrangements

for the comfort and accomodation of its members.—*G. Sire Kneass decision, Ibid,* pp. 268, 372, 391.

33. *Meetings of Subordinates.* A Grand Lodge may authorize its subordinates to hold semi-monthly meetings; but twenty-six nights service is necessary to complete a term. *Ibid,* pp. 322, 370, 390.

34. *Total Abstinence Regulation.* A Grand Lodge cannot approve a By-Law of its Subordinate prohibiting under penalty the use of intoxicating drinks as a beverage; the principle never having received the sanction of the G. L. U. S. *Ibid,* pp. 282, 382, 391.

35. *Reconsideration of a Vote upon Charges.* If a Grand Lodge have passed a vote acquitting a brother, expelled by his Lodge upon charges, it is competent for such Grand Lodge to reconsider and confirm the decision of its Subordinate.—*Ibid,* pp. 283, 354, 389.

The deliberations of which the foregoing are the results, were harmonious, with but few formal dissenters; indeed, we may say, the propriety of the application of the above rules and principles was universally admitted. We come now to the consideration of those subjects, new, and of vital import to the Order at large; affecting its future harmonious advancement, and illustrating the beautiful and conservative feelings, and the comprehensive powers of fraternization claimed by that dignified and supreme assemblage.

And first, as to the provision altering the Constitution of G. L. U. S. making future provision for the raising of funds to defray the expenses of Grand Representatives from State jurisdictions to the G. L. U. S.

Heretofore you all well know that these expenses were paid by this Grand Body, so also in all the other State jurisdictions, but by the alterations here referred to, this system is changed and a tax is levied equally "*per capita,*" upon all the contributing members of this Continent. The necessity of this change appeared to be evident, so as to secure a full representation from all the Grand Lodges and Encampments, and to enable the humblest member within the humblest jurisdiction,

to feel the equality of his influence in that body. Under the old forms many of our poorer sisters were compelled to contribute the widow's mite to have her name and interests whispered there—their treasuries were beggared, and they compelled to overlook their most useful sons, to neglect past services and useful genius, and to look to wealth and opulence alone to speak their voice or be comparatively forgotten and unrepresented.

The Grand Lodges of the States of Texas and her infant sister Iowa, and several others with a constituency of less than two hundred were unable to send their representatives from the paucity of their means; and while they would be the last to ask our benefits, still as infant sisters, struggling to maintain their family influence, it was our duty to give them of our abundance, to rear them to their proper dignity, and feel ourselves the genial rays of their energy, in the cause of Friendship, Love, and Truth.

From the peculiar locality of the G. L. of North Carolina, either arrangement would make but little difference as to the demands upon her for this support, and hence, the undersigned felt free to exercise their judgment, unbiased by mercenary or selfish considerations: they therefore, voted for the alteration. Heretofore the Grand Lodge of North Carolina has paid annually about $160 to this purpose, hereafter it will be much reduced, and the aggregate amount of six cents upon each contributing member in the State will be required. This tax will of course be lessened so much by every initiation into the Order upon this Continent until the new States of Utah, California, New Mexico, etc., shall establish their Grand Lodges, when it may be possibly necessary to increase it a fraction. The amendment is as follows:

"*Resolved*, That the pay of Representatives to and officers of this body (excepting those to whom stated salaries are allowed,) shall be three dollars per diem during their attendance upon the sessions of the Grand Lodge of the United States."

Be it further Resolved, That in addition to the above, the said Representatives and Officers shall also receive six cents for each mile travelled from their respective residences to the

place of meeting of the Grand Lodge of the United States and back again; the said mileage to be computed by the nearest mail route between said points."

"*And be it further Resolved,* That the said per diem allowance and mileage, shall be paid by the Grand Treasurer, on the certificate of the Grand Secretary."

"*And be it further Resolved,* That to meet the payment of the said per diem allowance and mileage, the Grand Sire and the Grand Secretary shall make an annual assessment upon each State Grand Body; said assessment to be estimated pro rata upon the number of members of the subordinate Lodges and Encampments of such State Grand Bodies respectively."

The undersigned are fully apprised of the dissatisfaction which this alteration has given to some of the largest State jurisdictions—the States of New York, Pennsylvania, Maryland, and Massachusetts, can count their thousands, when others can count their scores—and they complain bitterly of a system which draws so heavily upon their treasury. The sum demanded of them, we admit looks large; but is it so? Numbers constitute wealth in our Order, numbers only; and as we can know no distinction among brothers, the equality of benefits, privileges and burdens, should be characterized by universality; the brother of New York is a brother still in Texas, the brother of Iowa, is hailed as the brother of Maryland, their interests are the same, their rights are the same, and their responsibilities and burdens should be the same, wherever they may be cast by the appointment of Providence, whether the extent of their particular jurisdiction numbers units or thousands. Those who have much should be willing to give much, and of those who have little, little should be required. The principle is a just one, however, much it may be controverted, and it is to show the correctness of this principle and the inequality of the old one, that we ask why should our poor and weak sisters pay their hundreds in order to have a full representation to transact the business of their opulent and older sisters, while the Grand Lodge of Maryland, as an instance, pays not one farthing.

But it is denied that the Grand Lodge of the United States

had the power under the Constitution to make the alteration. We know not in what the authority of such an assertion is founded, for according to the Constitution as we have learned in Article 1st, it is the source of all true and legitimate authority in Odd Fellowship, with it is placed the power to enact such laws and regulations as shall be for the good of the Order in general, it is the ultimate tribunal to which all matters of general importance to the Order are to be referred, and its decisions thereon are final and conclusive, and all State bodies assemble under its warrant, and derive their authority from it. And we also learn in the last Article of the Constitution that if an alteration or amendment be offered in writing at one annual Communication, at the next stated meeting the amendments may be considered, and if agreed to by two-thirds of the votes given, shall become a part of the Constitution. All these forms were complied with, and the final vote was: Yeas 53, Neas 25, more than two-thirds of the votes given in the affirmative.

It is further urged as an objection to this law, that the constituency of those who voted in the negative, exceeded by 20,000 the constituency of those who voted in favor of alteration, and that the organic basis of representation is unfair. That the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, with a constituency of nearly 40,000, carried only the same weight with the G. L. of North Carolina with a constituency of less than 2,000, and to this objection we shall make no argument here, it is sufficient for us to say, "*ita lex scripta est,*" these laws are of their own making, and with a full knowledge of the probably present condition of the Order. They chose only to speak the voice of equality with other State jurisdictions which might knock for admittance without regard to numbers, when they exceeded 1000, subordinates. It is not becoming then, to find fault with the operations of their own handiwork. Every individual when he enters into society, gives up a part of his natural liberty, as the price of so valuable a purchase, and in consideration of receiving the advantage of mutual commerce, obliges him to conform to those laws which the community has thought proper to establish. No man that considers a

moment would wish to retain the absolute and uncontrolled power of doing whatever he pleases, the consequence of which is, that every other man must have the same power, and then there would be no security to individuals in any of the enjoyments of life: so with bodies of men, they must not demand too much, they should compromise something to the general advantage: These Grand Lodges enlightened as they are, must rest the preservation of their rights and privileges upon the virtue, independence, justice and sagacity of the Grand Lodge of the United States; if either of these fail the Fraternity is gone; its shadow may remain with all the pomp and circumstance of government, but its vital powers will have departed.

Another matter which has caused some dissatisfaction, is the holding of the adjourned session of the Grand Lodge of the United States, in Cincinnati, in September 1850, for the purpose of revising the constitution of the Grand Lodge of the United States, to be immediately succeeded by a regular Annual Communication. The undersigned were opposed to this measure from motives of expediency and economy, and to prevent the unhappy state of things in the State of Maryland, which at present exists. And opposed as they believed it to be, to the spirit and intendment of that Article of the Constitution, which requires that all propositions to amend the Constitution, shall be made at one stated meeting, and acted upon at the next; giving time for deliberate reflection, and instructions if necessary, from the State Grand Lodges to their Representatives. For an account of the state of things alluded to in Maryland, we refer you to the last proceedings, and also to a circular letter from the Grand Secretary of that State, dated Feb. 28th, 1850, all of which are filed in the office of your Grand Secretary.

The unhappy difficulty in the State of New York, which had grown out of certain Conventional reforms, had for half the session remained unnoticed, although much anxiety prevailed to avert the calamity, which seemed inevitable under the existing condition of affairs until its distraction was again brought prominently before the Grand Lodge of the United

States, by a Representative, eminent for his practical reflections and ingenuous judgment, who demanded for the good of the Order, one final effort to avert the anarchy which we could not close our eyes upon; convulsing the whole fraternity from its fundamental organization in that particular jurisdiction, and gradually obscuring our most vital principle, unity. To effect this great object a Committee was appointed of the best material, to take the matter under consideration, and to digest a plan which should restore our wonted harmony. And most triumphantly were their recommendations responded to. They presented to us what you too well know, a divided jurisdiction—a division produced by an abstraction of a metiphisical formality; one portion of the State working under what is termed an old Constitution, the other working under a new form called a new Constitution differing immaterially in their provisions, and neither positively obnoxious to the principles of Odd Fellowship, and all growing out of the mere forms of ratification by the Grand Lodge of the United States—a disruption which we were informed had not as yet, interfered with the feelings of the comity, and mutual obligations of the Subordinate members, the one to other.

The Grand Lodge of North Carolina, is doubtless well informed in all the details of this once unhappy, but now settled controversy, and while your Representatives voted against their stern judgment in a governmental point of view; they ask a ratification at your hands, of their vote in the premises —dictated as they were, by the pure principles of brotherly love, peace and charity. We had presented to us on the one hand, a once happy and united family dismembered and alienated—languishing under the weight of their troubles, looking silently, but with confidence to us for good government and harmony—with a conscientious rectitude of *purpose*. Commanding our kind offices as a meditator—with a certainty of total dismemberment of the Order in the United States, if neglected staring us in the face—while on the other hand, the repeated decisions of a most able and virtuous Grand Sire—supported by a majority of the Grand Lodge of the United States—disobeyed and disregarded—together with the

necessity of embarking in a course of legislation, the expediency of which was deemed heretofore doubtful and dangerous; to wit: a reclamation of chartered rights, and a division of territory *uninvited* except by the circumstances which surrounded us. Had this been all, the undersigned would have been foremost to stand by the correct, and uncontrovertable decisions of the then Most Worthy Grand Sire, and the Grand Lodge, proper of New York. But amid the clashings of argumentation where feeling, candor and eloquence rioted in their most luscious aspects; we learnt from those deservedly high in the confidence and esteem of their own State, and the United Fraternity, that the *substance* of the compromises proposed, would be readily assented to—but the *time and form* was objectionable for want of the sanction of the Grand Lodge of New York, which sanction they were ready to guarantee, and *did guarantee*, whenever the matter should be presented to them. Why then should we delay? why then postpone for a twelve month, to consummate that which was already performed *virtually* by the consent of parties? Why risk greater anarchy and total wreck to the single feeling of pride.

It may be said that we have offered a premium to resistance!—but in all this, there was no rebellion flaunting her scorpions in the face of our constituted authorities; no reckless profanation of the character of true Odd Fellows, but as we believe, to them a well-grounded but widely mistaken belief, (supported too, by a very respectable portion of the talent of the Grand Lodge of the United States,) of the correctness of their position. In discharging then this responsible duty, we were guided entirely by our love of harmony and compromise, at the expense of our personal pride, but in the true spirit of forgiveness of brother to brother—we voted therefore with a majority of two-thirds of the Grand Lodge, for a division of the State, into two State jurisdictions, by geographical lines North and South, to be known as the Grand Lodges, of Southern and Northern New York. To these sentiments of compromise, we ask your concurrence, promotive as it must be, of future harmony and good will, for to

you we look as a source to aid our deficiencies, and to the well tried intelligence and virtue of the Fraternity in the State. Our confidence under every difficulty has been placed in the principles of our Order, to be carried out for good, next to that which we feel in the guardianship and guidance of that Almighty Being, whose power regulates the destiny of us all, and whose blessings have been so conspicuously dispensed to this rising Fraternity, and to whom we address our devout gratitude for the past, as well as our fervent supplications for the future.

For the healthful prosperity of the Fraternity, every where, especially the Sandwich Islands, Oregon, etc., we respectfully refer you to the report of the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of the United States.

As to the future; Most Worthy Grand Sire, Griffin, of Georgia, who was installed at the last session of the Grand Lodge of the United States, a gentleman unsurpassed in intelligence and dignity of character, with the co-operation of his various worthy assistants, will prove an able helmsman, and we may reasonably expect under his administration renewed confidence in the success of our principles and the integrity of their fulfillment.

In conclusion, it will be your pleasure to elect a Grand Representative to fill the vacancy occasioned by the expiration of the term of T. Burr; and after tendering our sincere thanks for the honors you have conferred upon us, we leave you to discharge your high duties, and may you command respect and admiration by carefully fostering benevolence and virtue, and may your acts tower in the upper day, gleaming in pure brightness and flashing the dusky air with its meteoric gems; that our beloved Order may illustrate the beau ideal of good government, and that we may all join in one common prayer, "*Esto perpetua.*"

J. H. MANLY,
T. BURR.

Rep. O. W. Felfair offered the following resolution which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the Report of the Right Worthy Grand Representatives, John H.

Manly and Talcott Burr, Jr., be received and spread upon the minutes, and that the thanks of this Grand Body are hereby tendered them for the faithful and able manner in which they have performed their duties.

Rep. J. N. Washington offered the following resolution, which on motion, was referred to a select committee of five.

Resolved, That P. G. S., Wm. D. Cooke be authorized to publish a uniform edition of the Proceedings of this Grand Lodge at his own expense; and that a committee of three be appointed to supervise said publication, and make report of their proceedings to the next Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge.

Resolved, That the said Committee be authorized to subscribe for one hundred and fifty copies of said Proceedings at a cost not exceeding —— dollars per copy.

The Grand Master appointed as the Committee on the above, Reps. John N. Washington, T. M. Oliver, W. L. Smith, H. G. Trader and J. Wilcox.

The Select Committee on the Grand Master's Communication submitted the following report, which, on motion of Rep. P. Busbee, was laid on the table.

The Special Committee to whom was referred that portion of the Grand Master's Report, granting permission to ——— Lodge, No. — Danville, Va., to initiate as many citizens of Milton, N. C., as may be necessary to institute a Lodge, and also to Magnolia Lodge, No. 21, Marion Court House, S. C., to initiate a citizen of Anson County in this State;

Recommend, That the Grand Lodge approve the action of the Grand Master.

W. L. SMITH,
THOS. J. HOLLAND,
JAMES DELK.

The Select Committee appointed to take into consideration so much of the Grand Master's Report as relates to the payment of the expenses of the Representatives to this Grand Lodge, submitted the following report, which on motion, was ordered to lie on the table.

That on examination of the Journal of Proceedings of last session, it appears a Committee was appointed to report upon the practicability of this measure at the present session.

Your Committee therefore beg to be discharged from the further consideration of this subject.

Respectfully submitted,

T. H. HARDENBERGH,
W. R. MUSGRAVE,
JAMES DELK.

On motion, the Grand Lodge adjourned to meet at 11 o'clock, to-morrow.

THURSDAY, May 9th—11 o'clock.

The Grand Lodge met—the officers all present—and a quorum of the Representatives from the Subordinate Lodges, and was duly opened.

Prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Committee on the State of the Order submitted the following report, which was concurred in.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee on the State of the Order to whom was referred portions of the report of the M. W. Grand Master relating to the following subjects, beg leave to report that they have had the same under consideration, and recommend the following, viz:

Resolved 1st, That the action of the Grand Master in granting a dispensation to Tuscarora Lodge, No. 22, to change the time of its regular meetings from Friday to Saturday; to North State Lodge, No. 26, to change the time of meeting from Friday to Tuesday, and Mountain Lodge, No. 19, to change the time of meeting from Friday to Wednesday, be ratified by this Grand Lodge.

Resolved 2d, That this Grand Lodge do approve and ratify the acts of the Grand Master granting permission to Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, Cross Creek Lodge, No. 4, Manteo Lodge, No. 8, Buena Vista Lodge, No. 21, Tuscarora Lodge, No. 22, Tryon Lodge, No. 23, and Esperanza Lodge, No. 28, to have public addresses, dedicatory ceremonies and public processions in regalia.

Resolved 3d, That the refusal of the Grand Master to grant a dispensation to reopen Weldon Lodge, No. 1, be approved by this Grand Lodge for the reason assigned by the Grand Master.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

JOHN N. WASHINGTON,
R. B. HAYWOOD,
W. L. SMITH.

The Grand Treasurer *pro tem*, T. H. Hardenbergh, submitted the following report of the Grand Treasurer, which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Grand Secretary Wm. D. Cooke offered his report, which was referred to the same Committee.

The Committee on the State of the Order, submitted the following report:

The Committee on the State of the Order to whom was referred the propriety of changing the semi-annual password to a quarterly password, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report, that there is in their opinion no good and sufficient reason for such a change.

R. B. HAYWOOD,
W. L. SMITH.

Rep. J. N. Washington from the same Committee, submitted the following as a minority report:

The Committee on the State of the Order, to whom was referred the resolution of Rep. T. H. Hardenbergh, enquiring into the expediency of changing the P. W. of Subordinate Lodges quarterly, have given the subject their careful consideration, and the chairman of said Committee believing that among the benefits the Order would derive from the change, considerable additional security against improper visits from suspended or expelled members would be insured to Lodges, begs leave to recommend the adoption of the following resolution.

Resolved, That from and after the first day of July next the P. W. for Subordinate Lodges in this jurisdiction be changed quarterly.

All of which is respectfully submitted, JOHN N. WASHINGTON.

On motion, the report of the *majority* of the Committee was concurred in.

The Grand Secretary, Wm. D. Cooke, reported to the Lodge that he had received the Books, Charter, and Effects of Henderson Lodge, No. 15, which had been delivered to him by P. G., Wm. B. Wolff. Said Lodge having ceased to work.

The above subject was referred to the Committee on the State of the Order.

The Committee on Credentials, submitted the following report, which was concurred in.

The Committee on Credentials have before them the certificate of Manteo Lodge, No. 8, appointing Past Grand Thomas M. Oliver as her Representative, and the certificate of Buena Vista Lodge, No. 21, appointing Past Grand J. B. Newby as their Representative by proxy.

They have also a certificate from Yadkin Lodge, No. 30, appointing Past Grand John Sloan of Buena Vista Lodge, No. 21, as their Representative by proxy; a letter also from Past Grand Sloan, stating his inability to attend upon the deliberations of this Body, and requesting Past Grand Wm. D. Cooke to represent Yadkin Lodge, No. 30.

W. H. McKEE,
O. W. TELFAIR,
A. PAUL REPITON.

On motion of Rep. John N. Washington, Past Grand W. Dallas Haywood of Manteo Lodge, No. 8, was admitted, and the Grand Lodge Degree conferred upon him.

The Committee on Credentials submitted the following report.

The Committee on Credentials have examined the certificate of Past Grand Isaac Proctor of Manteo Lodge, No. 8, certifying that he is a Past Grand in good standing, and entitled to the Past Official Degrees, and recommend that he be admittted and the degrees conferred.

W. H. McKEE,
O. W. TELFAIR,
A. PAUL REPITON.

Past Grand I. Proctor was accordingly admitted and the degrees conferred upon him.

Rep. O. W. Telfair presented the following communication from Oriental Lodge, No. 24, which was referred to the Committee on Petitions.

ORIENTAL LODGE, No. 24,
COLERAIN, N. C., May 2d, 1850.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge I. O. O. F., of North Carolina:

The Officers and Brethren of this Lodge respectfully solicit permission from your Right Worthy Body to celebrate our anniversary on the 20th instant, in Regalia, and to have an address delivered on the principles of the Order, believing it will be for the good of the Order, and your petitioners will ever pray, &c.

T. BROWN, *Secretary.*

Upon which application the *Committee on Petitions* subsequently submitted the following report, which was concurred in.

The Committee on Petitions to whom was referred the petition of Oriental Lodge, No. 24, asking permission to celebrate their anniversary on the 24th instant, in regalia and to have an address delivered on the principles of the Order, beg leave to recommend that the request of the Petitioners be granted

O. W. TELFAIR,
THOS. M. GARDNER,
C. J. NELSON.

The Committee on Correspondence submitted the following report, which was read and concurred in.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee on Correspondence to whom was referred the Official letters and communications accompanying the Grand Master's report, have examined the same and beg leave to report that they find the Correspondence of the Grand Master's department entirely correct and satisfactory; and whilst they discover in it no subject matters requiring the present action or advice of this Grand Lodge, they recommend that the same be in

all respects approved, and the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the same.

Respectfully submitted,

P. BUSBEE,
J. B. WEBB,
ED. YARBOROUGH.

The Select Committee on the Widow's and Orphan's Fund submitted the following report, which on motion, was ordered to lie on the table.

The Select Committee to whom was referred so much of the Grand Master's report as relates to the propriety of this Grand Lodge setting aside a Widow's and Orphan's Fund have had the matter under consideration, and ask leave to report:

This Grand Lodge is pledged to provide for the education of Orphan children of members of this Order whose circumstances shall require such aid as the Lodge to which their fathers belonged shall be unable to extend; and whenever a Lodge shall surrender its charter it is made the duty of the Grand Secretary to obtain a list of Widows and Orphans of deceased members of said Lodge for this Grand Lodge. The Committee find there is no provision made for the maintainance of said Widows and Orphans, and fully impressed with the importance of a timely provision, ask leave to offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be instructed to set aside ten per cent. on all monies received into the Treasury, to be known and used by this Grand Lodge as the Widow's and Orphan's Fund.

R. B. HAYWOOD,
T. M. GARDNER,
H. G. TRADER.

Rep. R. B. Haywood from the *Select Committee on paying the expenses of Representatives* submitted the following report.

The Select Committee appointed at the last Annual Communication to consider the propriety, and enquire into the practicability of this Grand Lodge defraying the expenses of its Representatives, have given the subject a careful consideration and beg leave to report that with regard to the *propriety* of such a course the Committee are undivided. The chief object of this Grand Lodge is to insure a full representation, and this can be accomplished only, in the opinion of the Committee by distributing the expense amongst the several Lodges in this jurisdiction, and thereby obviating the onerous tax now complained of by Lodges unrepresented, or represented by proxy in this body.

With regard to the *practicability* of such a course, the Committee are of opinion it can be accomplished by raising the annual per centage and levying a Representative or *per capita* tax on each Lodge in the State.

The Committee think that their powers extend no further than to report on the practicability and propriety of this measure.

They think it practicable therefore, and eminently right and proper that each Odd Fellow in the State should bear his proportionate part, and not throw it on a few who now bear almost the entire burden.

Respectfully submitted,

R. B. HAYWOOD,
T. M. OLIVER,
J. H. MANLY.

Rep. P. Busbee moved to recommit the subject to the same Committee, with instructions to submit a resolution or resolutions in accordance with the views of said Committee as expressed in their report; Pending which motion, the Grand Lodge adjourned to meet at 3 o'clock.

May 9th—3 o'clock, P. M.

The Grand Lodge met according to adjournment.

The unfinished business of the morning being the motion of Rep. P. Busbee to recommit to the Select Committee the subject of paying the expenses of Representatives—the motion was unanimously carried.

Rep. Julius Wilcox offered the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, That the R. W. Grand Secretary and R. W. Grand Treasurer be required to make an official report at the commencement of each Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge.

Past Grand Samuel G. Smith, of Cross Creek Lodge, No. 4, appeared and was admitted to a seat in the Grand Lodge.

Rep. John N. Washington moved to take up the report of the *Select Committee* on the Grand Master's report relating to initiating persons in other States, which was concurred in, and the report of the Committee adopted.

Rep. J. N. Washington proposed the following amendment to the Constitution of the Grand Lodge, which according to the 20th Article of the Constitution is required to lie over until the next Annual Communication, viz:

Resolved, That Sections 2d, 3d and 4th of Article 13th of the Constitution of this Grand Lodge be stricken out.

Resolved, That hereafter no Subordinate Lodge within this jurisdiction, shall be represented in this Grand Lodge by proxy.

The Committee on Petitions submitted the following report which was concurred in.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee on Petitions to whom was referred so much of the Grand Master's report as relates to Samaritan Lodge No. — at Chapel Hill, Orange County and —— Lodge, No. — at Snow Hill, Greene County, beg leave to recommend that Charters be granted those Lodges as soon as they are instituted.

Respectfully submitted,

O. W. TELFAIR,
THOS. M. GARDNER,
C. J. NELSON.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee on Petitions to whom was referred so much of the Grand Master's report as relates to the petition for the Institution of a Lodge at Smithfield, Johnston County beg leave to recommend that the action of the Grand Master be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

O. W. TELFAIR,
T. M. GARDNER,
C. J. NELSON.

On motion, the above Report was concurred in.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee on Petitions to whom was referred that portion of the Grand Master's Report relating to the working under Dispensations, and recommending that Charters be granted the following Lodges, viz:

Piedmont	Lodge,	No. 25.
North State	"	" 26.
Columbus	"	" 27.
Esperanza	"	" 28.
Falling Creek	"	" 29.
Yadkin	"	" 30.

beg leave to offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That Charters be granted the above named Lodges.

Respectfully submitted,

O. W. TELFAIR,
T. M. GARDNER,
C. J. NELSON.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

Rep. Rev. A. P. Repiton presented the following Query, viz:

QUERY.

Should an Odd Fellow in possession of a visiting Card and a letter from the Noble Grand of his Lodge, requesting the T. P. W. to be given him, present the same to a Lodge in the place where he resides desiring said T. P. W., what course should that Lodge pursue, believing said person to be unworthy the appellation of Odd Fellow, much less of visiting a Lodge.

The above Query was referred to a Committee consisting of Reps. W. H. McKee, S. G. Smith, and J. B. Webb.

On motion, the Grand Lodge resolved to go into the nomination and election of Officers, this evening at 8 o'clock.

The Special Committee on the Query of Rep. A. P. Repiton submitted the following report, which was concurred in, viz:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Special Committee to whom was referred the following Query propounded by Rep. A. P. Repiton, "Should an Odd Fellow in possession of a Visiting Card, and a letter from the N. G. of his Lodge, requesting the travelling Pass Word to be given him, present the same to a Lodge in the place where he resides, desiring said Pass Word: what course should that Lodge pursue, believing said person to be unworthy the appellation of an Odd Fellow, much less of visiting a Lodge."

The Grand Lodge of the United States provided that in case of a member of the Order who has a Visiting or Withdrawal Card, and without the A. T. P. W., that the N. G. of the Lodge of which he is a member, can authorize the N. G. of the Lodge which the brother is visiting to communicate the said word to the brother; but if the Noble Grand of the Lodge which the brother is visiting, finds the applicant guilty of conduct which is unbecoming an Odd Fellow, he has not only the right to withhold the P. W., but it is his duty to inform the N. G. of the Lodge of which the visiting brother is a member of such conduct.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. McKEE,
S. G. SMITH,
J. B. WEBB.

On motion of Rep. Julius Wilcox, it was

Resolved, That we receive instruction in the unwritten work of the Order immediately after the election of Officers to-night.

The Grand Master presented the following account of the G. L. U. S. against the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, viz:

BALTIMORE, APRIL 2d, 1850.

R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina,

To R. W. Grand Lodge U. S. Dr.

1849.	September 20th,	To balance,	$91 12	1-2
	October 3d,	" 400 Cards,	20 00	
	" "	" 150 Odes,	3 00	
	" 16th,	" 2 Charge and 2 Degree Books,	4 00	
	" "	" 1 Institution Book,	50	
	" "	" 25 Odes,	50	
	December 13th,	" 12 Charge and 12 Degree Books,	24 00	
	" "	" 6 Institution Books,	3 00	
1850.	February 1st,	" Assessment Tax,	63 87	1-2
	March 9th,	" 400 Cards	20 00	
	" "	" Representative Tax for 1850,	40 00	
			$270 00	
1850.	January 18th,	By Cash,	32 00	
			$238 00	

On motion of Rep. J. N. Washington, the above account was referred to the Committee of Finance.

Rep. W. L. Smith of Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, extended an invitation to the members of the Grand Lodge to join the members of Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, in celebrating their approaching anniversary.

Grand Lodge adjourned to meet at 8 o'clock, P. M.

THURSDAY, 8 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Grand Lodge met according to adjournment.

Rep. David Parish offered the following resolution, which on motion, was ordered to lie on the table :

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be instructed to procure two suits of Regalia, to be used by the Grand Representatives of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, while attending the G. L. U. S.

The hour having arrived for the nomination and election of officers, the following nominations were made :

For M. W. Grand Master,

G. War.	J. Wilcox	nominated	*P. G.*	T. H. Hardenbergh,
P. G.,	W. R. Musgrave	"	"	Jno. N. Washington,
"	P. Busbee	"	*G. War.*	Julius Wilcox,
G. Sec.	W. D. Cooke	"	*P. G.,*	Perrin Busbee,

For R. W. Deputy Grand Master,

P. G. M.,	W. H. McKee	nominated	*G. Con.*,	O. W. Telfair,
P. G.,	W. L. Smith	"	*G. War.*,	Julius Wilcox,
G. War.,	Julius Wilcox	"	*P. G.*,	W. L. Smith,
P. G.,	W. R. Musgrave	"	"	Thos. J. Holland,
G. Rep.,	J. H. Manly	"	"	Rev. James Delk.

For R. W. Grand Secretary.

G. War.,	Julius Wilcox	nominated	*G. Sec.*,	Wm. D. Cooke.

For R. W. Grand Treasurer.

P. G.,	George Lauder	nominated	*P. G. M.*,	W. H. McKee,
G. War.,	J. Wilcox	"	*P. G.*,	R. B. Haywood,
P. G.,	T. J. Holland	"	"	George Lauder.

For R. W. Grand Warden.

P. G. M.,	W. H. McKee	nominated	P. G.,	T. J. Holland,
P. G.,	R. B. Haywood	"	"	DeWitt C. Stone,
"	W. R. Musgrave	"	"	James B. Webb.

For R. W. Grand Chaplain.

P. G.,	Perrin Busbee	nominated	*P. G.*,	Rev. James Delk,
G. *War.*,	J. Wilcox	"	*G. Chap.*	Rev. A. P. Repiton.

Grand Rep. John H. Manly tendered the resignation of Gr. Rep. Talcott Burr, Jr., as it will be out of his power to attend the adjourned session of the Grand Lodge of the United States at Cincinnati.

The resignation was accepted, and nominations called *for Grand Representative* to fill the vacancy occasioned by the same.

Gr. *Rep.*,	John H. Manly	nominated	*P. G.*,	John N. Washington,
P. G.,	T. M. Oliver	"	"	J. C. B. Ehringhaus,
"	W. L. Smith	"	"	T. H. Hardenbergh.

For Grand Representative to G. L. U. S., for two years.

P. G.,	T. H. Hardenbergh	nominated	P. G.,	John N. Washington,
"	W. L. Smith	"	"	T. H. Hardenbergh.

The following officers were then elected for the ensuing year, viz :

Most Worthy Grand Master,

PERRIN BUSBEE, of Manteo Lodge, No. 8.

Right Worthy Deputy Grand Master,

JULIUS WILCOX, of Muchena Lodge, No. 20.

Right Worthy Grand Secretary,
WILLIAM D. COOKE, of Manteo Lodge, No. 8.

Right Worthy Grand Treasurer,
Dr. RICHARD B. HAYWOOD, of Manteo Lodge, No. 8.

Right Worthy Grand Warden,
DeWITT C. STONE, of Franklin Lodge, No. 13.

Right Worthy Grand Chaplain,
Rev. JAMES DELK, of Oriental Lodge, No. 24.

Right Worthy Grand Representative to G. L. U. S. for unexpired term of Gr. Rep. T. Burr resigned,
JOHN N. WASHINGTON, of Eureka Lodge, No. 7.

Right Worthy Grand Rep. to G. L. U. S. for Two Years,
JOHN N. WASHINGTON, of Eureka Lodge, No. 7.

The election of Officers being closed, the Grand Lodge spent some time in receiving instruction in the unwritten work of the Order from R. W Grand Representative Jno. H, Manly.

The Grand Lodge adjourned to meet at 11 o'clock to-morrow.

Friday May 10th—11 o'clock A. M.

The Grand Lodge met according to adjournment.

On coming to order, on motion of P. G. M., W. H. McKee the reading of the minutes of yesterday was postponed until after the Officers were installed. The following Officers elect were then regularly Installed into their respective offices, viz:

Perrin Busbee,	*M. W. G. Master.*
Julius Wilcox,	*R. W. D. G. Master.*
William D. Cooke,	*R. W. G. Secretary.*
R. B. Haywood,	*R. W. G. Treasurer.*
DeWitt C. Stone,	*R. W. G Warden.*
Rev. James Delk,	*R. W. G. Chaplain.*

The M. W. G. Master made the following appointments:

George Lauder,	*Grand Guardian.*
Thos. M. Gardner,	*Grand Conductor.*

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

Wilmington District,

JAMES T. MILLER, of Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2.

Fayetteville District,

JOHN WINSLOW, of Cross Creek Lodge, No. 4.

Mecklenburg District,

WILLIAM LANDER, of Mountain Lodge, No. 19.

Newbern District,

O. W. TELFAIR, of Phalanx Lodge, No. 10.

Roanoke District,

G. J. MUSGRAVE, of Achoree Lodge, No. 14.

The following *Past Grands* were appointed

INSTALLING OFFICERS.

Cape Fear	Lodge,	No. 2,	W. L. SMITH.
Washington	"	" 3,	H. G. TRADER.
Cross Creek	"	" 4,	A. A. T. SMITH.
Thaddeus	"	" 5,	T. J. HOLLAND.
Neuse	"	" 6,	W. R. MUSGRAVE.
Eureka	"	" 7,	A. C. BLOUNT.
Manteo	"	" 8,	P. F. PESCUD.
Meck. Dec.	"	" 9,	JOSHUA TROTTER.
Phalanx	"	" 10,	T. H. HARDENBERGH.
Concordia	"	" 11,	J. W. MORGAN.
Trent	"	" 12,	J. H. DILLAHUNT.
Franklin	"	" 13,	R. R. S. LAWRENCE.
Achoree	"	" 14,	W. F. MARTIN.
Winchester	"	" 16,	E. H. STEVENS.
Covenant	"	" 17,	ZENO H. GREEN.
Smyrna	"	" 18,	BRYAN HELLEN.
Mountain	"	" 19,	JASPER STOWE.
Muchuena	"	" 20,	DAVID PARRISH.
Buena Vista	"	" 21,	SOL. HOPKINS.
Tuscarora	"	" 22,	J. B. WEBB.
Tryon	"	" 23,	W. M. SHIPP.
Oriental	"	" 24,	JOS. F. ETHRIDGE.
Peidmont	"	" 25,	J. A. DIXON.
North State	"	" 26,	J. A. WIERMAN.
Columbus	"	" 27,	HAYNES LENNON.
Esperanza	"	" 28,	J. G. WILLIAMS.

Falling Creek Lodge, No. 29, W. L. STEELE.
Yadkin " " 30, H. J. McELROY.

The Standing Committees being called on for reports, the *Committee on Credentials* submitted the following report, viz:

The Committee on Credentials have examined a communication from the Secretary of Achoree Lodge, No. 14, appointing *P. G M.*, W. H. McKee as their Representative by proxy, and in case of his absence *P. G.*, Isaac Proctor as Alternate, and recommend that *P. G. M.*, W. H. McKee be recognised as representative by proxy of Achoree Lodge, No. 14.

W. H. McKEE,
O. W. TELFAIR,
A. P. REPITON.

The Committee on the State of the Order submitted the following report, which was concurred in.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee on the State of the Order to whom was referred the surrender of the Charter, Books, Papers, Furniture, &c., of Henderson Lodge, No. 15, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to recommend that the surrender be received, and certificates granted to such members of said Lodge as produce to the Grand Secretary, satisfactory testimonials of compliance with the requisitions of Article 36th of the General Laws, for the Government of Subordinate Lodges.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN N. WASHINGTON,
R. B. HAYWOOD,
W. L. SMITH.

The Committee on Finance submitted the following report, which was adopted:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee of Finance respectfully offer the following report upon the Grand Master's Financial Report, viz:

Amount received by the Grand Master for Charters for Lodges,	$180 00
Received dues from Cross Creek Lodge,	20 74
	$200 74

Amount expended for Travelling expenses	$85 00	
" paid G. L. U. S. for Books,	32 00	
" " Postage,	5 70	$122 70
Balance in hands of Grand Master,		$78 04

Grand Secretary's Report.

Amount rec'd for dues, &c., from Lodges		$470 94
By Cash paid for printing 750 Proceedings,	$125 00	
" " " Blanks,	36 00	
" " Salary of Gr. Secretary,	100 00	
" " Contingent expenses,	23 10	
" " Grand Treasurer,	112 57	$396 67
Cash in hand,		$74 27

Grand Treasurer's Report.

Balance from last year,	$284 72	
Dues from Cape Fear Lodge,	50 71	
Cash rec'd from Grand Secretary,	112 57	$448 00
By Cash paid orders of Grand Master per vouchers,		448 00

Notes in hands of Grand Treasurer.

Note on Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2,	$300 00	
" " Neuse " " 6,	300 00	
" " Eureka " " 7,	257 79	
" " Grand Encampment of N. C.,	75 00	$932 79

Recapitulation.

Balance in hands of Grand Master,	$78 04
" " " Grand Secretary,	74 27
Amount in Notes,	932 79
" due from Lodges,	38 05
Total amount of available funds, May 8, 1850.	$1123 15

The Committee would recommend that the Officers of this Grand Lodge for the future adhere more closely to the requirements of our law on financial matters, the substance of which is that the Treasurer is the proper disbursing officer of this Lodge, and that all monies paid by the Grand Master shall be by draft on the Treasurer and all monies collected by the Secretary shall be paid over to the Treasurer. The

Committee also suggest that the Grand Treasurer should keep a regular set of Books; this never has been done in this Grand Lodge.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. L. SMITH,
W. H. McKEE,
DeWITT C. STONE.

The Committee on Constitutions and By-Laws of Subordinate Lodges submitted the following report, which was concurred in, viz:

The Committee on Constitutions and By-Laws of Subordinate Lodges, have examined the Constitutions and By-Laws of Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2; Manteo Lodge, No. 8; Concordia Lodge, No. 11; Muchuena Lodge, No. 20; Oriental Lodge, No. 24; North State Lodge, No. 26; Columbus Lodge, No. 27; Esperanza Lodge, No. 28; Falling Creek Lodge, 29, and Yadkin Lodge, No. 30.

The General Laws of Concordia Lodge, No. 11, at Beaufort are not in accordance with the General Laws of this Grand Lodge as revised at its last session—with this exception they have been able to detect nothing requiring the interference of this Grand Lodge.

The Committee therefore recommend that the Grand Secretary be instructed to bring to the notice of Concordia Lodge, this discrepancy, and require them to make their General Laws conform to the General Laws of this Grand Lodge as revised at its last session.

R. B. HAYWOOD,
T. M. GARDNER.

Rep George Lauder proposed the following Query, which was referred to the Committee on the State of the Order, viz:

"Can a Subordinate Lodge be opened at the time of its regular meeting, in the absence of all its Past Grands, Noble Grand, and Vice Grand?

If a Lodge can be thus opened, by what officer? And can a Past Grand of a sister Lodge under the same jurisdiction, open a Lodge by virtue of his rank in the Order, in the absence of the above named officers?

The Grand Secretary, Wm. D. Cooke, presented the By-Laws of Smyrna Lodge, No. 18, which had been received by this day's mail; also the certificate of Past Grand Dr. M. F. Arendel as Representative by proxy of said Lodge, together with a letter from the N. G. of Smyrna Lodge requesting that the name of some P. G. be substituted for that of P. G., M. F. Arendel, he not being able to attend.

The By-Laws were referred to the Committee on Consti-

tutions and By-Laws of Subordinate Lodges, and the certificate and letter to the Committee on Credentials.

The *Committee of Finance* submitted the following Report and Resolutions, which were read and adopted:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee of Finance to whom was referred the account of the Grand Lodge of the United States against this Grand Lodge have examined the same and submit the following report:

There is due to the Grand Lodge of the United States, a balance of $238 00. In this amount there is included the assessment tax (*per capita*) $63 87 1-2, and the Representative tax of $40 for the present year, and the Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the Grand Treasurer be instructed to pay the above bill of $328 00.

Resolved, That Grand Secretary be instructed to keep a regular account with the Grand Lodge of the United States, so as to prevent further confusion in the accounts of this Grand Lodge with that Body.

Respectfully submitted,

W. L. SMITH,
W. H. McKEE,
DEWITT C. STONE.

Rep. R. B. Haywood from the Select Committee on the subject of paying the expenses of Representatives to this Grand Lodge to whom said subject was recommitted, offered the following resolutions, viz:

Resolved 1st, That the expenses of the Representatives to the Grand Lodge of North Carolina from her Subordinate jurisdictions, be paid by this Grand Body.

Resolved 2d, That in order to raise funds sufficient to comply with the provision of the above resolution, a tax be levied upon each Subordinate Lodge, in the ratio of 12 1-2 cents quarterly, upon each contributing member.

Resolved 3rd, That these resolutions lie over until the next stated meeting of this Grand Lodge, and then be acted upon, and that a committee of three be appointed to prepare a circular to be sent to the Subordinate Lodges in this jurisdiction, asking their concurrence in the above resolutions.

On motion of Rep. John N. Washington the Grand Lodge went into Committee of the whole on the above resolutions, Rep. S. G. Smith in the chair.

After some discussion the Committee rose and reported to the Grand Lodge the following resolutions, as a substitute for the resolutions of Rep. R. B. Haywood, which were adopted, viz:

Strike out all after the word "*resolved*," and insert the following:

That the nessary expenses of the Reprentatives in this Grand Lodge be hereafter paid by the Grand Lodge.

Resolved 2d, That in order to raise a fund to carry into effect the foregoing resolution, the dues from Subordinate Lodges to this Grand Body be raised to ten per centum on their revenue, for the fiscal year, 1850.

The Grand Lodge adjourned to meet at 3 o'clock, P. M.

FRIDAY, May 10th—3 o'clock, P. M.

The Grand Lodge met pursuant to adjournment.

Rep. W. R. Musgrave from the *Committee on Subordinate Lodges not represented*, submitted the following report, which was read and adopted:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee to whom was referred the duty to report on Lodges not represented in this Grand Lodge, have had the same under consideration and beg leave to report that the following Lodges are not represented, viz:

Concordia Lodge,	No. 11.	Trent Lodge,	No. 12.
Achoree "	" 14.	Winchester "	" 16.
Covenant "	" 17.	Smyrna "	" 18.
Tryon "	" 23.	Piedmont "	" 25.
Columbus "	" 27.		

The following Lodges are represented by proxy, viz:

Meck. Dec. Lodge,	No. 9.	Mountain Lodge	No. 19.
Buena Vista "	" 21.	North State "	" 26.
Esperanza "	" 28.	Falling Creek "	" 29.
Yadkin "	" 30.		

Respectfully submitted,

W. R. MUSGRAVE,
T. J. HOLLAND,
A. PAUL REPITON.

Rep. T. M. Gardner from the *Committee on the By-Laws and Constitutions of Subordinate Lodges*, submitted the following report, which was concurred in:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee on By-Laws and Constitutions of Subordinate Lodges, to whom was referred the By-Laws of Smyrna Lodge, No. 18, have examined the same and beg leave to offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Constitution and By-Laws of Smyrna Lodge, No. 18, be approved.

THOMAS M. GARDNER,
R. B. HAYWOOD.

Rep. John N. Washington from the Special Committee on the subject of Publishing a uniform edition of the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina from the Institution of the Grand Lodge to the present time, submitted the following report:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Special Committee to whom was referred the resolutions of Rep. J. N. Washington on the subject of Publishing the Proceedings of this Grand Lodge, have given the subject their careful attention, and beg leave to report the same back to this Grand Lodge with the following amendment; strike out all after the word "*copies*" in the second resolution, and insert the following: "*Provided that the cost of printing and binding the same does not exceed one dollar and fifty cents per copy,*" and recommend that thus amended they be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN N. WASHINGTON,
T. M. OLIVER,
W. L. SMITH,
H. G. TRADER,
J. WILCOX.

The amendment offered by the Committee was carried, and the amended resolutions as follows, were adopted, viz:

Resolved, That Past Grand Wm. D. Cooke, be authorized to publish a uniform edition of the Proceedings of this Grand Lodge, at his own expense; and that a committee of three be appointed to supervise said publication, and make report of their proceedings to the next Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge.

Resolved 2d, That said Committee be authorized to subscribe for One Hundred and Fifty copies: *Provided*, That the cost of Printing and Binding the same does not exceed one dollar and fifty cents per copy.

The following were appointed a Committee in accordance with the 1st resolution above—Reps. P. Busbee, Wm. H. McKee and R. B. Haywood.

Rep. T. H. Hardenbergh, from the *Committee on Returns and Reports of Subordinate Lodges*, submitted the following report, which was read, accepted, and the accompanying resolution adopted:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee on Returns and Reports of Subordinate Lodges, beg leave to report as follows:

We find the Reports from the following Lodges correct in every particular, viz:

Cape Fear, No.	2,	Washington, No.	3,
Cross Creek, "	4,	Thaddeus, "	5,
Eureka, "	7,	Phalanx, "	10,
Concordia, "	11,	Covenant, "	17,
Smyrna, "	18,	Mountain, "	19,
Muchuena, "	20,	Buena Vista, "	21,
Oriental, "	24,	Piedmont, "	25,

North State No. 26.

The following are incorrect for the first term of 1849:

Neuse Lodge, No. 6, is without a Seal.

Manteo Lodge, No. 8, has no Seal, and the signature of the N. G. is omitted.

Winchester Lodge, No. 16, Tuscarora Lodge, No. 22, and Tryon Lodge, No. 23, have no Seals attached to their Reports.

The Report of Tuscarora Lodge, No. 22, is certified by the Officers elect, instead of the last Past Officers.

From Henderson Lodge, No. 15, there is no Report.

The Reports of the following Lodges are incorrect, for the second term of 1849, viz:

Manteo, No. 8, Mecklenburg Declaration, No. 9, Franklin, No. 13, Winchester, No. 16, and Tryon, No. 23, have no Seal.

In the Report of Achoree Lodge No. 14, the signature of the V. G. is omitted.

From Trent Lodge No. 12, and Henderson Lodge, No. 15, there are no Returns.

Reports have also been received from the following Lodges, which were instituted too near the close of the year to complete a constitutional term, and they ought properly to make their Reports from the date of their Institution to the 30th of June, 1850, viz:

Columbus Lodge, No. 27, Esperanza Lodge, No. 28, Falling Creek Lodge, No. 29.

The Committee have observed that very few of the Lodges report their total revenue, but exclude that portion which is not subject to assessment.

Your Committee recommend that the Grand Secretary instruct the Lodges to report the whole revenue under the proper head, and the portion appropriated to the Widows and Orphans and Education in a separate column. The Reports will then present a true statement of the receipts of the Subordinates, which they do not at present exhibit—an idea appearing to prevail that it is only necessary to report such amount as is subject to the Grand Lodge tax.

Your Committee would also recommend that the Lodges be required to assess the sum due the Grand Lodge upon the total amount of dues charged

at the close of each term, (after deducting such amount as may be exempt from taxation by law.) At present, many, perhaps a majority, pay the per cent. only upon *cash actually received.* Of course, if the Subordinates are remiss in the collection of their dues, the finances of the Grand Lodge must suffer in proportion to the extent of that remissness.

The Committee recommend the adoption of the accompanying resolution:

Resolved, That all Subordinate Lodges in this jurisdiction are hereby required to make out their returns in accordance with the suggestions of the above Report.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

T. H. HARDENBERGH,
W. R. MUSGRAVE,
GEORGE LAUDER.

Rep. W. R. Musgrave offered the following Resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee of Finance examine the accounts between Neuse Lodge, No, 6, and this Grand Body, and report the condition of the same as soon as practicable.

Rep. T. J. Holland, moved to add to the above the following, viz:

Resolved further, That the said Committee be instructed to examine and report upon the condition of the accounts between Thaddeus Lodge, No. 5, and this Body.

The above Resolutions were carried, and the accounts of Neuse Lodge, No. 6, and Thaddeus Lodge, No. 5, were referred to the Committee on Finance.

Rep. J. B. Webb from the *Committee on Correspondence* submitted the following report, which was read, and the resolution adopted, viz:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The *Committee on Correspondence* to whom was referred the communication of George Watterson, Secretary of the Washington National Monument Association, asking periodical contributions to the erection of that work, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report the following resolution, in which they ask the concurrence of the Grand Lodge.

Resolved, That we deem it unnecessary and impolitic at this time, to make any appropriation towards the erection of the Washington Monument, it being believed that the members of this body as well also of Subordinate Lodges have contributed and will contribute individually to said object.

Respectfully submitted,

J. B. WEBB.

Rep. John N. Washington from the *Committee on the State of the Order,* submitted the following report which was concurred in:

The *Committee on the State of the Order,* to whom was referred the following query proposed by Rep. George Lauder, viz: "*Can a Subordinate*

Lodge be opened at the time of its regular meeting, in the absence of all its Past Grands, Noble Grand and Vice Grand?

If a Lodge can be thus opened; by what officer? and can a Past Grand of a Sister Lodge under the same jurisdiction, open a Lodge by virtue of his rank in the order, in the absence of the above named officers? have discharged their duty, and beg leave to report, that the greater part of said query has been answered by the Grand Lodge of the United States at their late Annual Communication as may be seen by reference to the Printed Journal of their Proceedings, page 328. And, although this decision is binding upon us as eminating from the highest source of Legislation in this order; yet your Committee cannot but believe that the decision was given hastily; and it practically carried into effect by the State Grand Lodges will work great injury to the uniform practice which has hitherto obtained throughout the entire Order. Your Committee, therefore, deem it inexpedient to give any answer to said query, other than to say that it is clearly incompetent for a Past Grand of a Sister Lodge to open a Lodge of which he is not a member.

Respectfully submitted,

J. N. WASHINGTON,
R. B. HAYWOOD,
W. L. SMITH.

The *Committee on Credentials* submitted the following report, which was concurred in:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee on Credentials have examined a Certificate from Smyrna Lodge, No. 18, appointing Past Grand M. F. Arendel as her Representative (by proxy) and a letter from the Noble Grand, M. J. Davis, requesting that the Grand Secretary would substitute some Past Grand's name as their Representative, P. G., Arendel not being able to attend.

The Committee therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That Past Grand J. M. Gardner be authorized to represent Smyrna Lodge, No. 18, (by proxy) in this Body.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. McKEE,
A. PAUL REPITON.

On motion of D. G. M., Julius Wilcox, the Resolution offered by Rep. D. Parrish, was taken up and adopted, as follows, viz:

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be instructed to procure two suits of Regalia, to be used by the Grand Representatives of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, while attending the G. L. U. S.

P. G. M., J. B. Newby presented an account due the Fayetteville Observer for printing, which was referred to the

Committee of Finance, who subsequently reported that the account was correct, and recommended that it be paid, which was concurred in.

The Committee of Finance submitted the following report, which was concurred in, viz:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee of Finance submit the following Report on the resolution offered by Rep. Musgrave, that the accounts of Neuse Lodge, No. 6, with the Grand Lodge be committed to the Committe of Finance, also an amendment offered by Rep. Holland, that the accounts of Thaddeus Lodge, No. 5, be referred to the same Committee.

They have examined the accounts and reports of Neuse Lodge, No. 6, and Thaddeus Lodge, No. 5, to the Grand Lodge in 1848, and find them correct, corresponding with the Grand Lodge's account.

Respectfully submitted,

W. L. SMITH.
W. H. McKEE,
DEWITT C. STONE.

Grand Representative, John H. Manly offered the following Resolution, which under the rule, lies on the table until the next annual Communication, viz:

Resolved, That the sixteenth Article of the Constitution be amended by striking out section first and inserting the following, viz:

The Grand Officers shall be elected at each annual communication, on the third day, and they shall be installed immediately after the organization of the Grand Lodge at its succeeding communication, as the first business in order, the first day.

On motion the Grand Lodge adjourned to 8 o'clock to-morrow.

SATURDAY May 11th 1850,—8 o'clock, A. M.

The grand Lodge met according to adjournment.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved. M. W. Grand Master asked to be relieved from the Committee on the State of the Order, which was agreed to and Reps. W. H. McKee appointed in his place.

Rep. D. Parish offered the following resolution which was unanimously adopted, viz:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Lodge are due and are hereby tendered to Past Grand Master J. B. Newby for the able, impartial, and dignified manner in which he has presided over the deliberations of this body and discharged the duties incident to the office of Grand Master of the State

Rep. W. H. McKee offered the following resolution which was adopted, viz:

Resolved, That it is the duty of this Grand Lodge to furnish each of its Subordinates with a Question Book, and that the Grand Secretary be instructed to procure the same and present a copy to each Lodge, and that at the opening of any new Lodge hereafter, that they be furnished with a copy with the books of the work of the Order, free of charge.

Reps. W. H. McKee from the *Committee on Correspondence* submitted the following report, which was laid on the table, viz:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee on Correspondence to whom was referred sundry Communications from State Grand Lodges touching the amendment of the G. L. U. S., authorizing a *per capita* tax to be levied for the purpose of defraying the *per diem* and travelling expenses of the Representatives to the G. L. U. S., have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report:

That in the opinion of your Committee, the Resolution of the G. L. U. S. at their last Communication on the subject referred to, was impolitic and unwise, if not a violation of the fundamental laws of the Order. It is not the intention of your Committee to enter into an argument here to show that the operation of such a law must work injustice to thousands and tens of thousands of our brethren in the country. These brethren, many of them, have already uttered their complaints against the new change, and we cannot but think with reason. But more important in the opinion of your Committee, is the consideration that the recognition of the principle of taxation asserted by the G. L. U. S., may and perhaps will be hereafter claimed by that body as a precedent for other and different assessments—for purposes we know not what, and to an extent we know not how far.

As members of this jurisdiction, we are aware that under the said new law, our own expenses will be lessened, and in a pecuniary point of view, this body *pro tanto* may be benefited. But for the causes stated, and at whatever reasonable sacrifices, we should infinitely prefer going back to former practices and the former law.

Your Committee would submit the following Resolution, in which they ask the concurrence of the Grand Lodge.

Resolved, That whilst we most respectfully submit to the action of the G. L. U. S. in levying a *per capita* tax upon the members of the Order, throughout its jurisdiction

for the purpose of defraying the expense of its Representatives,—still we are constrained to believe that the principle is impolitic and unjust, if not unwarranted by the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of the United States and the spirit of the Order.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. McKEE,
J. B. WEBB.

Rep. W. H. McKee offered the following resolution, which was adopted, viz:

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be authorized to have five hundred copies of the Journal of the Proceedings of this Grand Lodge for the present session published, and distribute them among the Subordinate Lodges as soon as practicable.

On motion of Grand Rep. John H. Manly, the vote concurring in the report of the Committee on the State of the Order, on Rep. George Lauder's query was reconsidered, when Gr. Rep. John H. Manly, submitted the following as a substitute, viz:

Resolved, That the report be recommitted to the Committee with instructions to strike out that part of the report relating to the power of Past Grands to open Lodges, other than those to which they belong, and to insert the following:

"That it is compentent for a Past Grand in this jurisdiction, to open and preside over a Lodge other than his own, in the absence of all the qualified officers of said Lodge; but he shall not be entitled to vote on any question."

After considerable discussion the whole subject was laid on the table.

Grand Rep. John H. Manly offered the following resolution, to wit:

Resolved, That it is competent for a Past Grand in this jurisdiction to open and preside over a neighboring Lodge, in the absence of all the qualified officers of said Lodge; but he shall not be entitled to vote on any question.

On this resolution Rep. John N. Washington called for a vote by Lodges.

Those Lodges which voted in the affirmative, were:

Cross Creek	Lodge,	No.	4.
Neuse	"	"	6.
Manteo	"	"	8.
Muchuena	"	"	20.
Buena Vista	"	"	21.
North State	"	"	26.
Falling Creek	"	"	29.
Yadkin	"	"	30.—8.

Those Lodges which voted in the negative, were:

Eureka	Lodge,	No.	7.
Phalanx	"	"	10.
Achoree	"	"	14.
Mountain	"	"	19.
Esperanza	"	"	28.—5.

There being no further business, the Grand Lodge adjourned with prayer.

WILLIAM D. COOKE,
Grand Secretary.

RECORD

Of the Subordinate Lodges under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of the State of North Carolina.

July 1st, 1850.

Names of Lodges.	No.	Where Held.	Date of Opening.	By Whom Opened.	By What Authority.	Time of Meeting.	Officers Installed.
WELDON,	1	Weldon,	April 26, 1841.	*P. G. M.*, Geo. M. Bain, of Va. *D. D. G. S.*	Dispensation f'm G. L. U. S.	*Defunct.*	J. Campbell, *N. G.*, W. T. Whitfield, *V. G.*, Dr. J. J. Moore, *Sec.*, W. B, Powell, *Treasurer.*
CAPE FEAR,	2	Wilmington,	May 13, 1842.	Do.	Do.	Tuesday.	Alexander McRae, *N. G.* V. Hodgeson, *V. G.*
WASHINGTON,	3	Murfreesboro',	May 17, 1842.	Do.	Do.	Friday.	
CROSS CREEK,	4	Fayetteville,	Aug. 22, 1843.	*D. G. M.*, John McRae, Sr.,	Dispensation fm. G. L. N. C.	Friday,	Rev. E. McNair, *N. G.*, James A. McRae, *V. G.*, Henry Baker, *Sec.*, John McRae, *Treasurer.*
THADDEUS,	5	Originally at Warsaw, now at Clinton, Sampson Co.	Jan. 24, 1844.	*G. M.*, John McRae, Sr.	Do.	Friday,	
NEUSE,	6	Goldsboro'	Aug. 16, 1845.	*G. M.*, Alexander McRae.	Do.	Saturday.	Dan'l Cogdell, *N. G.*, S. Singleton, *V. G.*, F. H. Hooks, *Sec.*, L. Peacock, *Treasurer.*

EUREKA,	7	Newbern,	Oct. 3, 1845.	Do.	Do.	Wednesday.	Israel Disosway, *N. G.*, James C. Justice, *V. G.*, C. J. White, *Sec.*, G. W. Denby, *Treasurer*.
MANTEO,	8	Raleigh,	Jan. 14, 1846.	Do.	Do.	Friday.	Edward Yarborough, *N. G.*, W D. Cooke, *V. G.*, O. A. Buck, *Sec.*, W. R. Scott, *Treasurer*.
MEC. DEC.	9	Charlotte.	Oct. 24, 1846.	G. M., I. Disosway.	Do.	Tuesday.	J. Trotter, N. G., A. Bethune, V. G., A. R. Briard, *Sec.*, A. Springs, *Treasurer*
PHALANX,	10	Washington.	Nov. 23, 1846.	Do.	Do.	Friday.	B. F. Hanks, N. G., O. W. Telfair, V. G., G. H. Brown, Sec., W. H. Taylor, Treasurer.
CONCORDIA,	11	Beaufort.	Jan.—, 1847.	Do.	Do.	Friday.	
TRENT,	12	Trenton.	1847.	Do.	Do.	Friday.	
FRANKLIN,	13	Louisburg.	March 9, 1847.	*D. G. M.*, Ed. Yarborough.	Do.	Wednesday.	J. B. Littlejohn, N. G., Dr. P. S. Foster, V. G.
ACHOREE,	14	Elizabeth City.	May 1, 1847.	*P. G.*, R. W. Choate.	Do.	Friday.	J. C. B. Ehringhaus, N. G., W. B. Harrell, V. G., R. I. Saunders, *Sec.*, W. N. Simmons, *Treas.*
HENDERSON,	15	Henderson.	Aug. —, 1847.	G. M., W. H. McKee.	Do.	*Defunct.*	
WINCHESTER,	16	Rocky Mount.		*P. G.*, P. Busbee & P. G., J. H. Manly.	Do.	Saturday.	
COVENANT,	17	Greenville.		P. G., B. F. Hanks.	Do.	Friday.	

SMYRNA,	18	Smyrna.	June 20, 1848.	P. G., M. F. Arendell.	Do.	Saturday.	
MOUNTAIN,	19	Lincolnton.	Sept. 23, 1848.	D. D. G. M., A. Bethune.	Do.	Friday.	J. Stowe, N. G , W. Williamson, V. G., J. M. Newson, *Sec.*, W. Lander, *Treasurer.*
MUCHUENA,	20	Warrenton.	Sept. 20, 1848.	P. G., R. W. Choate.	Do.	Thursday.	J. Wilcox, N. G., D. Parrish, V. G., H. G. Goodloe, *Sec.*, J. McCormick, *Treasurer.*
BUENA VISTA,	21	Greensboro'.	June 4, 1848.	P. G. M., I. Dissoway.	Do.	Tuesday.	J. Sloan, N. G., S. Hopkins, V. G., E. Watson, *Sec.*, J. W. Howlett, *Treasurer.*
TUSCARORA,	22	Kinston.	March, 16, 1849.	G. M., B. F. Hanks.	Do.	Friday.	
TRYON,	23	Rutherfordton.	April 4, 1849.	D. D. G. M., A. Bethune.	Do.	Tuesday.	W. M. Shipp, N.G., A. Hamby, V. G., T. A. Hayden, *Sec.*, J. N. Jay, *Treasurer.*
ORIENTAL,	24	Colerain.	May 24, 1849.	P. G. M., R. H. Worthington.	Do.	Thursday.	J. H. Etheridge, N. G., S. B. Barnard, V. G., Thos. Brown, *Sec.*, Lemuel Evans, *Treasurer.*
PIEDMONT,	25	Morganton.	July 24, 1849.	G. M., J. B. Newby.	Do.	Tuesday.	J. A. Dickson, N. G., R. D. McComb, V. G., J. M. Happoldt, *Sec.*, J. H. Murphy, *Treasurer.*
NORTH STATE,	26	Salisbury.	July 28, 1849.	G. M., J. B. Newby.	Do.	Do.	J. A. Weirman, N. G., A. Overman, V. G., R. D. Wilson, *Sec.*, R. Fox, *Treasurer.*
COLUMBUS,	27	Whitesville.	Oct. 13, 1849.	D. D. G. M., Jno. C. Wood.	Do.	Saturday.	Rev. H. Lennon, N. G., A. F. Toon, V. G., Wm. M. Baldwin, *Sec.*, T. L. Memory, *Treasurer.*
ESPERANZA,	28	Plymouth.	Oct. 26, 1849.	P. G., T. H. Hardenbergh.	Do.	Thursday.	J. G. Williams N. G., Ed. W. Jones, V. G., B. F. Fessenden, *Sec.*, Chas. Latham, *Treasurer.*

FALLING CR'K,	29	Rockingham.	Nov. 23, 1849.	G. M., J. B. Newby.	Do.	Monday.	W. L. Steele, N. G., Jno. R. Little, V. G., L. H. Webb, *Sec.*, F. A. Terry, *Treasurer.*
YADKIN.	30	Clemmonsville.	April 27th, 1850.	P. G., John Sloan.	Do.	Tuesday.	W. J. McElroy, N. G., A. C. Wharton, V. G., Rev. F. X. Forster, *Secretary.*

ABSTRACT of the Semi-Annual Reports of Subordinate Lodges under the jurisdiction of the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina, commencing January 1st, 1849, and ending December 30, 1849.

No.	Name.	Where held.	Time of Meeting.	Initiations.	Rejections.	Ad. by Card.	Withdrawn by Card.	Reinstated.	Suspensions.	Expulsions.	Deaths.	Past Grands.	Members.	Whole amount of Revenue.	Widow's and Orphan's fund.	Amount upon which per centage is to be paid.	Am't Due the Grand Lodge.
1.	Weldon,	Halifax,	Tuesday,														
2.	Cape Fear,	Wilmington,	do.	17	2	2	17			14	5	27	166	$1,168 65	154 34	$1,014 30	$50 71
3.	Washington,	Murfreesborough	Friday.				7				1	11	38	121 50	37 50	84 00	4 20
4.	Cross Creek,	Fayetteville,	Friday,	14	3		9	2			1	14	73	495 45	80 53	414 88	20 74
5.	Thaddeus,	Clinton,	do.	3		1	1	1	2	2	3	9	42	158 83		158 83	7 94
6.	Neuse,	Goldsborough,	Saturday,	10	7	3	3		2	4	1	9	60	402 48	41 25	361 23	18 06
7.	Eureka,	Newbern,	Friday,	3		1	7	27	56	10		11	67	723 57	261 44	462 13	23 10
8.	Manteo,	Raleigh,	do.	11			15		4	1	1	10	95	457 37	38 61	418 76	20 93
9.	Meck. Declaration.	Charlotte,	Tuesday,	7			6					6	46	265 50	92 00	173 50	8 67
10.	Phalanx,	Washington,	Friday,	14	6		10		1		3	5	114	604 45		604 45	30 22
11.	Concordia,	Beaufort,	do.	1			4	5	7			5	43	423 75	125 00	298 75	14 93
12.	Trent,	Trenton,	do.				1					4	16	13 00		13 00	65
13.	Franklin,	Louisburg,	Wednesday,	4		2	5		2	3	1	6	33	298 25	14 50	283 75	14 18
14.	Achoree,	Elizabeth City,	Friday,	24	6	2	2		3	2		6	80	740 44	23 37	717 07	35 85
15.	Henderson,	Henderson,															
16.	Winchester,	Rocky Mount,	Saturday,	12	3		6	2	2	1	1	3	31	399 40	7 00	392 40	19 62
17.	Covenant,	Greenville,	Friday,	9	2					1	1	3	26	284 00	22 00	262 00	13 10
18.	Smyrna,	Smyrna,	Saturday,	4	2						1	2	20	147 83		147 83	7 39
19.	Mountain,	Lincolnton,	Friday,	18		3	12		1			3	31	473 36	26 37	446 99	22 35
20.	Muchuena,	Warrenton,	Thursday,	36	1	7	11		1			3	54	831 06	37 00	794 06	39 70

21.	Buena Vista,	Greensboro',	Tuesday,	24		3						2	31	478 00	15 00	463 00	23 15
22.	Tuscarora,	Kinston,	Friday,	18	8	11						2	21	357 66	37 37	320 29	16 01
23.	Tryon,	Rutherfordton,	do.	13	1							2	18	341 85	16 40	325 45	16 27
24.	Oriental,	Colerain,	Thursday,	28		11	7					2	32	637 92		637 92	31 87
25.	Piedmont,	Morganton,	Tuesday,	17	3	6						1	23	260 25	9 00	251 25	12 56
26.	North State,	Salisbury,	do.	24	5							1	29	335 22	4 14	331 08	15 55
27.	Columbus,	Whitesville,	Saturday,	30	5							1	35	380 90	44 00	336 90	16 85
28.	Esperanza,	Plymouth,	Thursday,	38	6	3	1					1	46	732 97	44 00	688 97	34 44
29.	Falling Creek,	Rockingham,	Monday,	15		2						1	17	283 56		283 56	14 17
30.																	
31.																	
				394	60	57	124	37	81	38	19	150	1287	$11,817 22	$1,130 82	$10,686 35	$533 51

RELIEF REPORT, for the year ending December 30th, 1849.

Names of Lodges.	No. of Bro's. Relieved.	No. of Widowed Families Relieved.	No. of Bro's. Buried.	Amount paid for Relief of Brothers.	Amount paid for Burying the Dead.	Amount paid for Education of Orphans.	Amount paid for Relief of Widow'd Families.	Total.
Cape Fear, No. 2.	27	2	5	$552 00	$80 00	$151 57	$33 00	$816 57
Washington, " 3.	4		1	28 00				36 00
Cross Creek, " 4.	4			22 50				22 50
Thaddeus, " 5.	8		3	87 00	60 00			147 00
Neuse, " 6.	1		1	9 09	20 00			29 09
Eureka, " 7.	15			148 64				148 64
Manteo, " 8.	5			76 00				76 00
Meck. Dec., " 9.	7			33 40				33 40
Phalanx, " 10.	28	5		376 00	30 00	25 90	104 00	535 90
Concordia, " 11.	3	2		44 00		2 40	10 00	56 40
Franklin, " 13.	2		1	25 00	20 00			45 00
Achoree, " 14.	9			187 00				187 00
Winchester, " 16.	7			42 00				42 00
Covenant, " 17.	1		1	4 00				4 00
Smyrna, " 18.	1	3		3 00			11 90	14 90
Mountain, " 19.	4	1		36 00			5 00	41 00
Muchuena, " 20.	6		1	66 66	30 00			96 66
Buena Vista. " 21.	1			30 00				30 00
Tuscarora, " 22.	3			20 00	20 00			40 00
Columbus, " 27.	1			4 00				8 00
Esperanza, " 28.	1			8 00				4 00
Total,	138	13	13	$1,810 29	$260 00	$179 87	$163 90	$2,414 06

OFFICERS AND MEMBERS

OF THE

GRAND LODGE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

OFFICERS

from May 1850 to May 1851.

MOST WORTHY GRAND MASTER,
PERRIN BUSBEE, *Raleigh.*

RIGHT WORTHY DEPUTY GRAND MASTER,
JULIUS WILCOX, *Warrenton.*

RIGHT WORTHY GRAND SECRETARY,
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Heflin, Rev. R. T.
Jones, W. H.
Jordan, J. F.
Johnson, John W.
Litchford, J. J.
Little, George
Manly, L. C.
Marriott, J. T.
Mial, A. T.
McRae, D. K.
Porter, Henry,
Root, C. B.
Royster, James D.
Royster, David Jr.,
Rogers, Sion H.
Saunders, R. A.
Sanders, Lynn B.
Singletary, G. E. B.
Smith, H. S.
Tucker, W. H. H.
Thompson, J. R.
Thompson, W. H.
Vass, W. W.
Woltering, Jos.
Watson, J. W. B.
Williams, J. R.
Williams, J. G.
West, John T.
Wolstenholmes, H F
Watson, W. H.
Yarborough, E. Jr.,

ROYAL BLUE DEGREE.

Joyner, Rev. P. H.

COVENANT DEGREE.

Alston, W. F. S.
Horton, Jeptha
Kincey, J. H.
King, F. W.
Lovejoy, J. M.
Palmer John C,
Newton, W.

WHITE DEGREE.

Dodd, James
Ruffin, Samuel
Thornton, A. G.
Young, Samuel H.
Utley, John R.

INITIATORY DEGREE

Briggs, T. H.	Hicks, John Y.	Miller, H. W.
Baison, W. F.	Johnson, Albert	Mordecai, Jacob
Boylan, John H.	Kirkland, J. W.	McDade, J. B.
Carmichael, L.	Leathers, Jas. S.	Pace, James
Hudgins, S.	Lucas, Jas. S.	Utley, Q.
Hargrave, T. R.	Lee, R. H.	Whitaker, S. M.

MECK. DECLARATION LODGE, NO. 9.

PAST GRANDS.

Joshua Trotter,	J. A. Young,	M. B. Taylor,
A. Bethune,	L. S. Williams,	Thomas Trotter,

SCARLET DEGREE.

Andrews, E. H.	Ely, J. W. M.	Porter, Thos. F.
Ashburry, Daniel	Harty, John	Robinson, R. M.
Briard, A. R.	Harty, William	Riglar, John
Belk, Sam'l E.	Harris, W. S.	Saddler, Jas. A.
Bell, R. C.	Harris, E. R.	Ross, F. M.
Blair, J. W.	Houston, G. S.	Smith, J. P.
Barringer, Rufus	Harris, K. P.	Sandifer, T. T.
Blackwood, B. G.	Grier, R. A.	Shaw, Robert
Carson, R. C.	Jackson, S. H.	Spencer, D. H.
Coleman, Daniel	Low, Pinckney	Taylor, David
Davidson, E. C.	Lowrie, S. J.	Taylor, John R.
Davidson, W. F.	Morrow, J. W.	Weddington, F. S.
Davidson, Jos. M.	McDonald, John	Wriston, S. T.
Davidson, B. F.	Maxwell, F. H.	Wriston, M. L.
Fox. C. J.	McRea, E. D.	Young, R. S.
Fox, J. A.		

PHALANX LODGE, NO. 10.

PAST GRANDS.

B. F, Hanks,	George H. Brown,	R. L. Myers,
O. W. Telfair,	T. H. Hardenbergh.	James H. Tyler.

SCARLET DEGREE.

Allen, Wm.
Blount, R. H. J.
Bonner, John B.
Bonner, B. T.
Cook, N. W.
Clark, H. J. B.
Crabtree, L. D.
Craig, A.
Corden, Wm. S.
Corden, S. K.
Caila, John F.
Carrow, S. J.
Carrow, S. T.
Carmer, John R.
Davis, Jesse H.
Doughty, J. J.
Dill, D. H.
Dimock, Henry
Demill, Thos. A.
Dixon, G. R.
Ernall, A. W.
Ellison, H. A.
Forbes, E.
Fitchett, Thomas
Fowler, S.
Fowle, Jas. L.
Gaskill, J. W.
Gordon, Geo. W.
Hyatt, L.
Hodges, H.
Hammond, C. W.
Holmes, L. L.
Horton, D. B.
Harvey, H. L.
Hawks, Thos. H.
Hodges, Jos. B.
Hawks, Jno. S.
Jones, J. E.
McCormick, H.
Myers, Wm. B.
Myers, J. G. B.
Moore, Wm. C.
Morton, Wm. Z.
McWilliams, J. S.
Moore, F. W.
Moore, Edmund
McGowan, John
Norcom, John
Nadall, A.
Norcom, James
Pake, Wm. T.
Patterson, E. P.
Patrick, John R.
Pugh, Jos. T.
Peartree, Asa
Peartree, James
Royster, L. H.
Ross, John B.
Robbins, James S.
Rodman, Wm. B.
Rea, R. T.
Reid, Daniel
Righton, S. A. W.
Redding, Jas. W.
Simmons, J. W.
Small, John H.
Smaw, Thos. D.
Stubbs, Jesse R.
Smith, L. H.
Simmons, James
Taylor, W. H.
Tripp, B. F.
Tripp, Jos.
Tyler, John
Tripp, Wm. R.
Turner, George
Tuten, Thomas
Telfair, D. A.
Tier, Jos. S.
VanNortwick, M. F.
Williams, John B.
Wolfenden, John
Warren, E. J.
Watson, Job H.

ROYAL BLUE DEGREE.

Carmalt, John

COVENANT DEGREE.

Archabell, Jos. P.
Parmerle, B. J.
Robinson, C.
Stratton, Rev. J.
Tompkins, Jno.
Toland, H. A.
Wallace, J.

WHITE DEGREE.

Allen, H. P.
Archabell, J. H.
Barrow, A. H.
Blount, W. A. Jr.,
Gantier, Benj.
Lanier, W. A.
Moore, John E.
Stuart, James

INITIATORY DEGREE.

Boyle, Robt. R.
Carrow, Henry
Dousty, Stephen
Hancock, H. F.
Jollie, H. G.
Williams, J. M.
Walston, W.

CONCORDIA LODGE, NO. 11.

PAST GRANDS.

Dr. M. F. Arendell,
J. W. Morgan,
B. Leecraft, Jr.
B. L. Perry,
H. H. Willis.

SCARLET DEGREE.

Bell, C. S.
Bell, D. H. L.
Bell, J. F.
Bell, W. F.
Chadwick, B.
Chadwick, Oliver
Delamar, C.
Dill, George
Duffy, S. S.
Duncan, Thomas
Fuller, Belcher
Fuller, W. J.
Gibble, J. E.
Howland, J. E.
Howland, S. L.
Jones, Rev. John
Longest, Bryan
Longest, James
Longest, Wm.
Morse, David
Nelson, S. J.
Physic, W. B.
Phelps, Matthias
Reiger, Henry
Thomas, J. P.
Thomas, M. C.
Walker, George
Wahab, Job
White, J. T.
Willis, S. F.

ROYAL BLUE DEGREE.

Canaday, R. S.

COVENANT DEGREE.

Morse, George

WHITE DEGREE.

Brooks, William

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Garner, W. J.

TRENT LODGE, NO. 12.

PAST GRANDS.

Rich'd F. Green, J. D. Hines, John H. Dillahunt,
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SCALET DEGREE.

Francks, Wm. W. Sanderson, Ed. F. Thomas, Francis D.
Koonce, Simon E. Stanly, William Williams, Ad'w. C.

COVENANT DEGREE.

Brown, Wm. M. Jarmon, Job L.

WHITE DEGREE.

Hatch, Richard J.

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FRANKLIN LODGE, NO. 13.

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J. B. Littlejohn, R. R. S. Lawrence, D. C. Stone,
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SCARLET DEGREE.

Burge, James P. Furman, W. H. Person, W. E.
Bennett, Henry L. Harris, W. Perry, Willie Jr.,
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Davis, Isaac H. Lankford, M. Speed, Dr. E.
Furman, Rickey Patterson, Young Yarbrough, Jas. S.
Foster, Wm. B. Perry, Dr. Sam'l

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PAST GRANDS,

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SCARLET DEGREE.

Butt, Wm. H.	Hamilton, Zera	Simmons, D. D.
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Cooper, John A.	Matthews, Wm. P.	Saunders, E. W.
Cartwright, Shad'h	Matthews, John M.	Speed, Rufus K.
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Curran, Albert A.	Morris, Nathan	Stamm, Abraham
Cross, Rev. W. G.	Newbold, William	Tuttle, John M.
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Nash, Isaac D.	Poiner, George	Williams, Elhu
Field, Rev. Stanton	Sanderlin, Rev, S.	Waddy, John M.
Forbes, Rev. E. M.	Simmons, William	Waugh, John S.
Fearing, John B.	Sterling, John	Wilder, Geo. M.
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Gautier, James H.	Stone, George W.	White, Albert
Hinds, Heman S.	Saunders, L. K.	White, Robinson
Harney, William A.	Skinner John B.	Whedbee, J. M.
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Fort, Jacob G. Qualls, Wm. L. Watson, B. C.
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PAST GRANDS.

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SCARLET DEGREE.

Bernard, Wm. A.	Hines, Peter E.	May, Jas. W.
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Gorham, Thos. A.	McCluer, J. A.	Walch, Wm. M.

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SMYRNA LODGE, NO. 18.

PAST GRANDS.

Samuel E. Davis,	Bryan Hellen,	D. W. Whitehurst.

SCARLET DEGREE.

Davis, Jesse A.	Hamilton, John W.	Rumley, W. W.
Davis, W. Jr.,	Lewis, Wm. J.	Stryon, John, W.
Davis, Melvin J.	Piver, Wilson F.	Willis, Ephraim
Davis, Calvin J.	Piver, James M.	

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Roberts, D. R.

COVENANT DEGREE.

English, William

WHITE DEGREE.

Willis, John T.

INITIATORY DEGREE.

Stryon, L. W.	Willis, Daniel C.	Willis, G. W.

MOUNTAIN LODGE, NO. 19.

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Jasper Stowe, W. Lander Wm. Williamson,

SCARLET DEGREE.

Anthony, John P.
Abernathy, H. W.
Burton, A. W.
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Campton, W. P.
Crarew, Alfred
Edwards, W. R.
Hoke, Wm. J.
Motz, Andrew
Murchison, Rev. C.
McCoy, Abner
Michal, W. H.
Newson, J. M.
Ramsour, Alfred A.
Ramsour, Wm.
Ramsour, Alex'r
Reinhardt, W. M.
Stowe, Jasper
Stowe, S. N.
Smith, W. B.
Williamson, Rob't

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Slade, T. T.

COVENANT DEGREE.

Cabiniss, H. D. K. Smith, R. B.

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Andrews, W. P.
Martin, Moses
Shuford, John M.
Webber, M. G.

MUCKUENA LODGE, NO. 20.

PAST GRANDS.

Julius Wilcox, J. M. Price, T. A. Montgomery.
David Parrish,

SCARLET DEGREE.

Bobbitt, W. H.
Blount, T. A.
Burge, Rev. W.
Bryan, H. B.
Brodie, J. H.
Crabtree, W. C.
Graves, Rev. N. Z.
Gupton, K.
Holt, J. W.
Harrison, J. H.
Holt, T. J.
Jones, H. I.
Reynolds, T.
Rowlett, R.
Sketton, Dr. W. T.
Skinner, Dr. Chas.
Sledge, George R.
Thrower, W. E.

Collins, J.
Campbell, Rev. T S.
Clements, W. C.
Duke, J. L.
Egerton, J. A.
Ferrell, J. M.
Farrar, J.
Fisher, D. R.
Goodloe, H. G.
Johnson, J. R.
McCormick, J.
Mosely, James L.
Minatree, J. J.
McCraw, J. C.
Moore, J. H.
Phillips, Samuel E.
Rice, E. T.
Twitty, W. E.
Wilson, J. M.
Watson, W. Jr.,
Wilson, Dr. T. E.
Watkins, S. T.
White, E. C.
Wortham, George
Waddill, T. F.

ROYAL BLUE DEGREE.

Brickle, N. D.
Toney, J. W.

COVENANT DEGREE.

Alsobrook, J. E.
Renny, J. R.

WHITE DEGREE.

Burwell, Wm. A.
Paschall, P. D.

INITIATORY DEGREE.

Mann, B. D.
Nicholson, G. W.
Ransom, R. W.
Rooks, S. H.
Wiggans, B. B.

BUENA VISTA LODGE, NO. 21.

PAST GRANDS.

John Sloan,
Solomon Hopkins,
A. S. Porter.

SCARLET DEGREE.

Anderson, H. S.
Brown, Michael
Bleak, M. S.
Booken, G. W.
Caldwell, A. C.
Coffin, Cyrus
Cole, W. W.
Donnel, R. C.
Howlett, J. W.
Hoover, B. F.
Johnston, R. J.
Kerr, S. M.
Lea, W. G.
Leinback, E. W.
Mendenhall, C. P.
McLean, David
Patrick, T. J.
Schoolfield,
Skelton, Joseph
Scott, Levi M.
Thurston, Peter
Watson, Edwin
Waltington, J. M.
Walker, Jere.

Gilmer, W. S.
Gillispie, B.
Gardner, S. T.
Miner, James
McCullock, R. N.
Ogburn, E. W.
Weatherly, A.
Weatherly, Wm.

COVENANT DEGREE.

Close, James

INITIATORY DEGREE.

Anderson, Wm. M. Ellington, Wm. M.

TUSCARORA LODGE, NO. 22.

PAST GRANDS.

Thomas Woodley, James B. Webb, Wm. H. Whitfield.

SCARLET DEGREE.

Aldridge, Sam'l H.
Armstrong, J. J.
Blakely, Thos. J.
Cobb, Jesse
Cox, Wm. E.
Cummings, Jos. S.
Einstein, Z.
Einstein, M.
Gaylord, John B.
Hartsfield, J. A.
Harvey, Amos
King, Rich'd W.
Patterson, Moses
Streanglents, Louis
Strong, W. A.
Vase, Wm. Irving
Venters, Geo. W.

WHITE DEGREE.

Neale, James C. Rouse, Willis Sutton, Wm. J.

INITIATORY DEGREE.

Dawson, Thos, W. Loe, John S.

TRYON LODGE, NO. 23.

PAST GRANDS.

Thos. A. Hayden, Wm. M. Shipp, J. V. Jay.

SCARLET DEGREE.

Boyce, S. J.
Bynum, John G.
Carson, William
Carson, John M.
Lollar, D. D.
Leventhorpe, C.

Baxter, G. W.
Carson, J. McD.
Caloway, J. W.
Dickerson, Garland
Dickerson, M. O.
Hamby, Rev. Allen
Stanmire, B. H.
Twitty. D. J.

INITIATORY DEGREE.

Forney, A. G.
Padgett. B. H.

ORIENTAL LODGE, NO. 24.

PAST GRANDS.

J. H. Etheridge,
Rev. James Delk,
Preston Perry.

SCARLET DEGREE.

Askew, J. A. J.
Brown, Thomas
Bernard, Rev. A. R.
Bernard, Sam'l A.
Beasley, Jos. W.
Britton, Rev. W. P.
Daniel, Watson L.
Freeman, Wm. J.
Garrett, Richard
Harrell, Abner
Harrell, S. S.
Hayse, Willie D.
Irwin, Wm. T.
Lewis, W. J.
Leary, Wm.
Leary, Joseph
Leary, Rev. West
Miller, Wm.
Miller, F. C.
Pruden, Wm. D.
Parker, Wm, D.
Spruill, S. B.
Stuley, Jas. B.
Smith, Joseph
Williams, John
Williams, B. B.
Wilson, John
Worley, Wm. G.
Ward, H. L.

COVENANT DEGREE.

Shepperd, John S.

INITIATORY DEGREE.

Holly, Augustus

PIEDMONT LODGE, NO. 25.

PAST GRANDS.

J. A. Dickson,
C. M. Avery.

SCARLET DEGREE.

Avery, W. W.
Fenn, J. D.
McElrath, J. W.

Davis, C. T. N.	Happoldt, J. M.	McRae, W. L.
Erwin, A. H.	Janett, G. W.	Smith, S. J.
Erwin, S. B.	McCombs, R. D.	Walton, W. M.
Erwin, J. S.	Murphy J. H.	Williamson, A. C.
Erwin, J. J.	McDowd, J. C.	

COVENANT DEGREE.

Avery, T. L.	Fenn, J. G.

INITIATORY DEGREE.

Ballew, J. A.	Hardy, J. F. E.	Martin, Thomas
Dickson, Wm.	Lindsey, H. P.	Tremmier, G. R.
Elliott, R. S.	Milton, L. W.	

NORTH STATE LODGE, NO. 26.

PAST GRANDS.

J. A. Weirman,	Albert Overman.

SCARLET DEGREE.

Bell, John J.	Gould, Geo. L.	Rymer, Moses
Caldwell, Rich'd	Hardy, John H.	Roberts, B. B.
Coleman, Daniel	Harrison, Sam'l R.	Stokes, Jesse A.
Ennis, Jas. H.	O'Brien, Rev. S. J.	Scruggs, R. M.
Ellis, John W.	Palmer, Wm. J.	Wilson, Wm. R.
Fox, Rich'd	Robards, H. L.	Williams, Samuel

INITIATORY DEGREE.

Bradshaw, D. R.	Hopkins, Rev. B. N.	Parks, John P.
Coffman, Rev. J. H.	McDonald, Jas. R.	Summerell, Dr. J. J.
Harvey, John	Moseley, Roderick	

COLUMBUS LODGE, NO. 27.

PAST GRANDS.

Rev. Haynes Lennon.

SCARLET DEGREE.

Baldwin, Wm. M.	Inman, Stephen	Smith, Burwell

Haynes, Calvin	Maccory, T. S.	Smith, W. G.
Haynes, Warren	Powell, A, F.	Toon, A. F.
Hill, George W.	Rouse, Bythet	Thompson, James

REMEMBRANCE DEGREE.

Baldwin. Charles

ROYAL BLUE DEGREE.

Downey, Robert	Gore, J. M. M.	George, Lewis

COVENANT DEGREE.

High, James	Memory, Eli	Pridgen, J. C.
Hill, A. B.	Moore, Rev. G. W,	Smith, T. M.
Gore, C. C.	Powell. James C.	Summerset, J. H.
Gore, Pinckney	Pridgen, Glasgow,	Smith, David
Gore, Wm. K.	Powell, John G.	Williams. Amos

WHITE DEGREE.

Coleman, Dempsey	Maultsby, Carson	Richardson. W. R.

ESPERANZA LODGE, NO. 28.

PAST GRANDS.

John G. Williams.

SCARLET DEGREE.

Bagley, William	Hinson, G. W.	Kissam, Charles A.
Bateman, John M.	Holiday, J. W.	Latham, Charles
Beasley, John B.	Holiday, Henry	Nicholls, Jehu
Beasley, John	Hopkins, Isaac K.	Piercy, D. A.
Beckwith, Thomas	Johnson, E. J.	Short, Henry B.
Bennett, Robert H.	Johnston, Asa	Spruill, H. G.
Fessenden, B. F.	Johnston, T. S.	Tripp, Reuben
Fagan, F. F.	Jones, E. W.	Waldo, Joseph
Garibaldo, Angelo	Kelly, Isaac	Ward, W. W.
Guyther, David C.	Kieth, James B.	Waters, H. H.
Hanks, Edgar	Kissam, Samuel	Willis, Elijah H.

Hardison, Wm. A. Kissam, Samuel T. Windley, Jacob D.
Harrison, H. H.

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COVENANT DEGREE.

Allen, Joseph Simmons, Sam'l S. Ward George W.
Latham, Thos. S.

WHITE DEGREE.

Brabble, Jacob D. Freeman, James Knight, R. B.
Davenport, J. F. Garrett, Alfred F. Resspess, Robert
Etheridge, Stephen Jones, J. L. Waters, Asa J.

INITIATORY DEGREE.

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FALLING CREEK LODGE, NO. 29.

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SCARLET DEGREE.

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Little, Alexander McKinnon, N. B. Shortridge, John
Ledbetter, R. S. Powell, Benj. C. Terry, Francis A.
Leak, Wm. C. Steele, R. L. Webb, Louis H,
McDonald, A. M.

ROYAL BLUE DEGREE.

Lucas, Hugh G. Jordan, Thos. S. Stubbs, John W.
McNeill, Wm. Stewart, James

COVENANT DEGREE.

Terry, Wm. L.

WHITE DEGREE.

Ewing, Isaac

INITIATORY DEGREE.

Cox, Sherwood L.

YADKIN LODGE, NO. 80.

PAST GRANDS.

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SCARLET DEGREE.

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Blackburn, Milton	Jones, Wiley	Wagoner, Josiah
Cooper, A. M.	Jones, S. S.	Wharton, A. C.
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Thaddeus Lodge, No. 5.		
J. C. Carroll,	Jas. M. Moseley,	W. H. McKoy.
Neuse Lodge, No. 6.		
John W. Davis,	J. H. Crosby,	John B. Griswold.
Eureka Lodge, No. 7.		
J. C. Justice,	J. M. E. Breaker,	C. J. White.
Manteo Lodge, No. 8.		
Dr. W. R. Scott,	Seaton Gales,	John Johnson.
Mecklenburg Declaration Lodge, No. 9.		
No Returns.		

Phalanx Lodge, No. 10.

J. H. Tyler, Norton W. Cooke, Jas. W. Redding.

Concordia Lodge, No. 11.

David W. Morse, Cicero S. Bell, Step. F. Willis,
Geo. Dill, *Treas.*

Trent Lodge, No. 12.

No Returns.

Franklin Lodge, No. 13.

No Returns.

Achoree Lodge, No. 14.

Jas. C. Scott, Jos. W. Hinton, Geo. M. Wilder.

Winchester Lodge, No. 16.

No Returns.

Covenant Lodge, No. 17.

No Returns.

Smyrna Lodge, No. 18.

M. J. Davis, J. H. Davis, S. E. Davis,
W. W. Rumley, *Tr.*

Mountain Lodge, No. 19.

No Returns.

Muchuena Lodge, No. 20.

T. A. Montgomery E. T. Rice, J. C. McCraw.

Buena Vista Lodge, No. 21.

A. S. Porter, Edwin Watson, Peter Thurston.

Tuscarora Lodge, No. 22.

W. H. Whitfield, Geo. W. Venters, Thos. Woodley.

Tryon Lodge, No. 23.

J. V. Jay, Geo. W. Baxter, D. D. Lollar,
T. A. Hayden, *Tr.*

Oriental Lodge, No. 24.

Preston Perry, Wm. T. Irwin, Thomas Brown.

Piedmont Lodge, No. 25.

C. M. Avery, J. H. Murphy, G. W. Jarrett.

North State Lodge, No. 26.

A. Overman, H. L. Robards, J. H. Hardy,
B. B. Roberts, *Tr.*

Columbus Lodge, No. 27.

Rev. H. Lennon, A. F. Toon, W. M. Baldwin.

Esperanza Lodge, No. 28.

John G. Williams, E. W. Jones, B. F. Fessenden.

Falling Creek Lodge, No. 29.

Walter L. Steele, John Little, M. L. Douglass.

Yadkin Lodge, No. 30.

W. J. McElroy, A. C. Wharton, Rev. F. X. Forster.

DIGEST

OF THE

ACTS

OF THE

GRAND LODGE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Two black balls are required to reject a Candidate.—(p. 66.)

The Grand Lodge is pledged to provide for the education of orphan children of the members of this Order whose circumstances require such aid as the Lodges to which their Fathers belonged shall be unable to extend to them. (p. 77.)

Resolved, That the surplus funds of the Grand Lodge be placed at interest, until required, to unable the Grand Master to carry out the object of the foregoing resolution.—(p. 77.)

Resolved. That whenever a Lodge shall surrender its Charter to this Grand Lodge, it shall be the duty of the Secretary of such Lodge, to furnish the Grand Lodge a list of the names of all the members of such Lodge, showing the standing of each member, the amount of liabilities to, and amount due by such Lodge; also the number and names of widows and orphans of deceased members. And that the Grand Secretary shall issue a certificate or card to the widows of such deceased members as were in good standing at the time of their death.—(p. 77.)

Resolved. That the Grand Secretary be instructed to keep an accurate list of the names of all widows and orphans of deceased Brethren, which may from time to time be thus brought to his notice, on the books of the Grand Lodge.—(p. 77.)

A Lodge having granted a *withdrawal* card, and by mistake a *visiting* card having been given, is bound to correct the mistake and give the withdrawal card, notwithstanding

statements have been made prejudicial to the character of the applicant as an Odd Fellow, subsequently to his leaving.—(p. 88.)

Resolved, That the R. W. Grand Treasurer be authorized to invest in Stock of the Bank of Cape Fear, or Bank of the State, such surplus funds belonging to this Grand Lodge as he may from time to time deem necessary.—(p. 89.)

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be authorized to have blank forms of Reports printed for the use of Subordinate Lodges.—(p. 89.)

In case of the inability of the Grand Representatives elect to attend the meetings of the G. L. U. S. the Grand Master is authorized to appoint a substitute.—(p. 99.)

Resolved, That the Officers of this Grand Lodge receive from her funds the amount of their travelling and incidental expenses whilst engaged in attendance on the Grand Lodge.—(p. 100.)

Resolved. That in all cases of application for the establishment of new Lodges within the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, the travelling expense of the Installing officer shall be paid by the Grand Lodge.—(p. 100.)

Resolved. That this Grand Lodge furnish all her subordinates with the Revised Work of the Order free of charge.—(p. 100.)

Resolved. That it is the opinion of this Grand Lodge that the fund set apart by the several Subordinate Lodges for the benefit of the Widows and Orphans of deceased Brothers, and also the Orphan School Fund, is not subject to the tax of 10 per cent to the Grand Lodge.—(p. 101.

Whereas, it is desirable that uniformity should be observed in regard to Regalia worn by Past Grands,

Resolved, That the proper Regalia to be worn by Past Grands shall consist of a Scarlet Apron, Collar, Sash, and Cap trimmed or decorated with white.—(p. 101.)

Resolved, That each Subordinate Lodge be required to retain duplicate copies of their Reports to this Grand Lodge.—(p. 102.)

It is inexpedient to receive applicants for admission into our Subordinate Lodges, from other States, without a Dispensation from the Grand Lodge or Grand Master of the State from which such applicant may hail.—(p. 104.)

The following form of Record of Lodges is adopted, to be published with the proceedings of the Grand Lodge.—(p. 104.)

Register of —— Lodge, No. —, under the jurisdiction of the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina.

Name.	No.	Where held.	Date of opening	By whom opened.	By what authority.	Time of meeting.	Officers Installed.

Resolved, That a Steward be appointed for this Grand Lodge, whose duty it shall be to attend upon the sittings of this Grand Lodge, see that the room is in order, and attend to such other duties as may be necessary. It shall be his duty to see that the members are furnished with Stationery, &c., during the session—for which service he shall receive from the Treasurer of this Grand Lodge the sum of Three Dollars per day, in addition to the bills for Stationery and servant hire.—(p. 104.)

Whereas, it appears by the action of the Grand Lodge of the United States, that the term of service for Officers of the Subordinate Lodges has been changed from three to six months:

Resolved, That the Lodges in this State be required to conform to the same, and elect their Officers and make their returns semi-annually.—(p. 133.)

Resolved, That each Lodge under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge be required to forward to the Grand Master an impression in wax of its Seal.—(p. 134.)

Resolved, That the names and address of all the Officers of the Grand Lodge be printed with the proceedings of the Grand Lodge.—(p. 135.)

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be authorized to audit the account of the Grand Steward, for Stationery and attendance on the Grand Lodge, and draw an order on the Grand Treasurer for the same.—(p. 140.)

Resolved, That it shall be the duty of the Grand Secretary to give to the Chairman of each Committee appointed by this Grand Lodge, a notification of his appointment, with a list of the members composing said Committee —(p. 161.)

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge confer upon the future Grand Masters of the State the power to issue dispensations for opening Subordinate Lodges, in compliance with Section 6th of Article 2d, page 46 of the Digest of the Laws of the Grand Lodge of the United States.—(p. 163.)

Resolved, That hereafter all the Lodges under this jurisdiction be required to forward to every communication of this Grand Lodge, a copy of its By-Laws and Rules of Order.—(p. 167.)

Resolved, That every Representative of a Subordinate Lodge, shall at the time of his election be furnished with a certificate in the following form—viz :

———————— *Lodge, No,* —, *I. O. O. F.*

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of the State of N. Carolina.

This is to certify that P. G. ———————— has been duly elected a Representative of this Lodge to your Right Worthy Body, to serve for one year from the second Wednesday in May.

L. S. In testimony whereof, I herewith affix my hand and the Seal of our Lodge, this — day of————

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge require its Subordinates to furnish its Past Officers with a copy of the following certificate :

This is to certify that our well beloved Brother ———— has served the regular term of ———— Lodge, No. — and is entitled to the above named Degrees.

L. S. Given under our hand, and the Seal of our Lodge. this —— day of

———————— *N. G.*

———————— *Sec'y.*

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary receive one hundred dollars for services per annum.

Resolved, That the next Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge be held in the Hall of Manteo Lodge, No. 8, in the city of Raleigh, on the second Wednesday in May next, and that our Representatives to the Grand Lodge of the United States, be instructed to ask the consent of that Grand Body thereto.—[*Passed. May*, 1848.]—(p. 172.)

Resolved. That the Resolution passed at the last session of the Grand Lodge, assessing a tax of five per cent upon Initiations, Degrees, &c., be so construed as to take effect from and after the first day of January, 1848.—(p. 193.)

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary, under the direction of the Grand Master, forward to *P. G. M.*, John Campbell, fifty dollars to be applied to educating and clothing the son of Bro. Archibald Boyd, dec'd, a member in good standing, of Weldon Lodge, No. 1, at the time of surrendering their charter to the Grand Lodge.—(p. 195.)

Resolved, That the price of withdrawal and travelling cards charged by this Grand Lodge to her Subordinates, be hereafter fixed at 6 1-4 cents.—(p. 196.)

Resolved, That the M. W. Grand Master shall, and he is hereby empowered to appoint from among the Past Grands of each Subordinate Lodge in the State, an Installing Officer, whose duty it shall be to install the several Officers of his Lodge, as well as to receive all correspondence from the G. M., relating to the P. W.'s, for each term and the said Installing Officer shall not communicate the P. W. to the said Lodge or proceed to invest the Officers with their authority until he is satisfied that the provisions of the 1st section of the 18th Article of the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina is complied with.—(p. 197.)

Resolved, That the action of the Grand Master in granting a dispensation to Winchester Lodge, No. 16, to change the time of meeting from Friday to Saturday; and also, dispensations to Neuse Lodge, No. 6, and Phalanx Lodge, No 10, to hold their regular meetings on Tuesday nights during Court weeks, be approved by this Grand Lodge.—(p. 197.)

Resolved, That the dispensation granted Eureka Lodge, No.

7, to have Lectures delivered for the good of the Order be approved.—(p. 197.)

Resolved, That inasmuch as Article 1st, Sec. 11, Division 3, page 45 of the Digest requires that State Grand Lodges shall enact laws to restrict processions and public displays in regalia within their respective jurisdictions, and to regulate the delivery of Lectures upon matters connected with the Order, be it therefore,—(p. 197.)

Resolved, That no Subordinate Lodge within this jurisdiction shall have any procession or public display in Regalia (funeral occasions excepted) without permission first had and obtained from the Grand Lodge or Grand Master.—(p. 198.)

Resolved further, That no Subordinate Lodge within this jurisdiction shall have any public address or lecture without permission first had and obsained from the Grand Lodge or Grand Master. But they may be allowed to have private addresses or lectures (not oftener than once a month) delivered in the Lodge room by one of their own members.—(p. 198.)

Resolved, That as the members composing a Subordinate Lodge shall each pay into the funds of such Lodge a sum not less than $6\frac{1}{4}$ cents per week: *Therefore*, no Subordinate Lodge has the power to exempt any of its members from the payment of weekly dues, without the consent of the Grand Lodge.—(p. 199.)

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be instructed to transmit, immediately after their reception, to each Subordinate Lodge, a copy of the Journal of the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of the United States.—(p. 207.)

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be and he is hereby instructed to forward to each Subordinate Lodge within this jurisdiction, one or more copies of the "General Laws" as soon as practicable after the adjournment of this Body.—(p. 210.)

Resolved, That all Subordinate Lodges within this jurisdiction are particularly enjoined to make their Constitution and By-Laws conform to the "General Laws," and to for-

ward a copy to this Grand Lodge at its next communication. (p. 210.)

Resolved, That all monies due the Grand Lodge from Subordinate Lodges shall be paid to the Grand Secretary, who shall keep an account of the same, and pay over the amounts received to the Grand Treasurer, taking his receipt for the same.

Resolved, That the Representative to the Grand Lodge of the United States be instructed to enquire of that Grand Body how an Odd Fellow, whose withdrawal card has expired, shall proceed to connect himself with a Lodge.—(p. 211.)

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be instructed to purchase a Seal Press for the Grand Lodge, on as good terms as possible.—(p. 217.)

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be instructed to purchase Jewels of Office for the Officers of the Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F., State of North Carolina.—(p. 217.)

Resolved, That for the year 1849, Subordinate Lodges under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge shall be assessed and required to pay over to the Installing Officer five per cent on their initiations, degrees, deposit cards and dues.—(p. 217.)

Resolved, That the Funeral Regalia, described page 30 of the Digest, be adopted as Funeral Regalia until this Grand Lodge orders differently.—(p. 217.)

Resolved, That the R. W. Grand Secretary and R. W. Grand Treasurer be required to make an official report at the commencement of each Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge.—(p. 277.)

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be instructed to keep a regular account with the Grand Lodge of the United States, so as to prevent further confusion in the accounts of this Grand Lodge with that Body.—(p. 287.)

Resolved, That the necessary expenses of the Representatives in thisGrand Lodge be hereafter paid by the Grand Lodge.

Resolved, That in order to raise a fund to carry into effect the foregoing resolution, the dues from Subordinate Lodges

to this Grand Body be raised to ten per centum on their revenue, for the fiscal year, 1850.—(p. 288.)

Resolved, That Past Grand Wm. D. Cooke, be authorized to publish a uniform edition of Proceedings of this Grand Lodge, at his own expense; and that a committee of three be appointed to supervise said publication, and make report of their proceedings to the next Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge.—(p. 289.)

Resolved, That said committee be authorized to subscribe for one hundred and fifty copies: *Provided*, That the cost of printing and binding the same does not exceed one dollar and fifty cents per copy.—(p. 289.)

Extract from the Report of the Committee on Returns, &c.—The Committee have observed that very few of the Lodges report their total revenue, but exclude that portion which is not subject to assessment.

Your Committee recommend that the Grand Secretary instruct the Lodges to report the whole revenue under the proper head, and the portion appropriated to the Widows and Orphans and Education in a separate column. The Reports will then present a true statement of the receipts of the Subordinates, which they do not at present exhibit—an idea appearing to prevail that it is only necessary to report such amount as is subject to the Grand Lodge tax.

Your Committee would also recommend that the Lodges be required to assess the sum due the Grand Lodge upon the total amount of dues charged at the close of each term, (after deducting such amount as may be exempt from taxation by law.) At present, many, perhaps a majority, pay the per cent. only upon *cash actually received*. Of course, if the Subordinates are remiss in the collection of their dues, the finances of the Grand Lodge must suffer in proportion to the extent of that remissness.

The Committee recommend the adoption of the accompanying resolution:

Resolved, That all Subordinate Lodges in this jurisdiction are hereby required to make out their returns in accordance with the suggestions of the above Report.—(p. 291.)

Resolved, That we deem it unnecessary and impolitic at this time, to make any appropriation towards the erection of the Washington Monument, it being believed that the members of this body as well also of Subordinate Lodges have contributed and will contribute individually to said object.—(p. 291.)

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be instructed to procure two suits of Regalia, to be used by the Grand Representatives of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, while attending the G. L. U. S.—(p. 292.)

Resolved, That it is the duty of this Grand Lodge to furnish each of its Subordinates with a Question Book, and that the Grand Secretary be instructed to procure the same and present a copy to each Lodge, and that at the opening of any new Lodge hereafter, they shall be furnished with a copy with the books of the Order, free of charge.—(p. 294.)

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be authorized to have five hundred copies of the Journal of the Proceedings of this Grand Lodge for the present session published, and distribute them among the Subordinate Lodges as soon as practicable. (p. 295.)

Resolved, That it is competent for a Past Grand in this jurisdiction to open and preside over a neighboring Lodge, in the absence of all the qualified officers of said Lodge; but he shall not be entitled to vote on any question.—(p. 295.)

I. O. O. F.

ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

OF THE

RIGHT WORTHY GRAND LODGE

OF THE

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,

Held at the City of Raleigh, May, 1851.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 14, 1851.

The R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina convened this day at 11 o'clock, in the Hall of Manteo Lodge, No. 8.

In the absence of the M. W. Grand Master Perrin Busbee, R. W. D. Grand Master Julius Wilcox took the chair, and upon the call of the roll, the following officers answered to their names:

JULIUS WILCOX,	*R. W. D. Grand Master.*
WILLIAM D. COOKE,	*R. W. Grand Secretary,*
THOS. M. GARDNER,	*W. Grand Conductor.*
GEO. LAUDER,	*W. Grand Guardian,*

The Deputy Grand Master appointed the following Officers, *pro tempore:*

T. H. HARDENBERGH,	*R. W. D. G. Master.*
ISAAC PROCTER,	*R. W. G. Treasurer.*
O. W. TELFAIR,	*R. W. Grand Warden:*
REV. A. P. REPITON,	*R. W. Grand Chaplain.*

After Prayer by the R. W. Grand Chaplain, the Grand Lodge was opened in due form.

The following Representatives were appointed by the chair as the *Committee on Credentials.*

Reps. A. P. Repiton, Geo. Lauder and Thos. M. Gardner, who submitted the following report:

Report of Committee on Credentials.

To the R. W, Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee appointed to examine the Credentials of Representatives and Past Grands, would submit the following Report:

Lodges.	No.	Representatives and P. Grands.
Cape Fear,	2,	*P. G.*, A. T. McCollum, *Rep.*
Cross Creek,	4,	" John Winslow, *Rep.*
Neuse,	6,	" W. M. Puryear, *Rep.*
Eureka,	7,	" James E. Morris, *Rep.*
Manteo,	8,	" Isaac Procter, *Rep.*
Phalanx,	10,	" T. H. Hardenburgh, *Rep.*
Trent,	12,	" James E. Morris, *Proxy.*
Achoree,	14,	" William H. Clark, *Rep.*
Muchuena,	20,	" T. A. Montgomery, *Rep.*
Buena Vista,	21,	" A. S. Porter, *Rep.*
Tuscarora,	22,	" J. B. Webb. *Rep.*
Esperanza,	28,	" E. W. Jones, *Rep.*
Yadkin,	30,	" W. J. McElroy, *Rep.*
Salem,	35,	" W. J. McElroy, *Proxy.*
Cross Creek,	4,	" T. M. Sackett,
Manteo,	8,	" Seaton Gales.
Contentnea,	33,	" H. H. Gibbons, *Rep.*
Falling Creek,	29,	" Walter L. Steele, *Rep.*

Buena Vista Lodge is not in accordance with the form prescribed, and no certificate of service.

Cape Fear Lodge, do. do. do.

Trent	"	Certificate informal.
Yadkin	"	not in form; no certificate of service.
Eureka	"	signature of N. G. wanting,
Muchuena	"	do. do. do.
Contentnea	"	seal of Lodge wanting.
Cross Creek	"	signed by a P. G.
Falling Creek	"	no certificate of service.
Achoree	"	no certificate of service.

The Committee have in their possession satisfactory evidence that the above named Representatives and Past Grands are all entitled to the Past Grand and Grand Lodge Degrees.

A. PAUL REPITON,
THOS. M. GARDNER,
GEORGE LAUDER.

On motion of Rep. J. C. Justice the above named Representatives were admitted and the Grand Lodge Degree conferred upon them by the R. W. Grand Warden.

On motion of Rep. T. H. Hardenbergh, Bro. Henry A. Brown, a Scarlet member of Manteo Lodge No. 8, was appointed to take charge of the Lodge room during the Sessions of the Grand Lodge, and perform such other duties as the Grand Lodge may direct.

Rep. J. B. Newby offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, satisfactory evidence being had that Bro. H. L. Ward, N. G. of Oriental Lodge, No. 24, has served in the office of N. G. more than the usual time required by law, therefore.

Resolved, That he receive the G. L. D., and be admitted to a seat in this Body.

The resolution was argued by Representative Repiton, against, and by Representatives Newby, Cooke, and Hardenbergh, in favor, when the resolution was rejected upon the ground that it would be in conflict with the Laws of the G. L. U. S.

The Grand Masters Report was read by Rep. T. H. Hardenbergh:

GRAND MASTER'S REPORT.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

In submitting the annual report of my office, I have, in many respects, no little satisfaction in looking back to the operations of our beloved order, within the past year. Not that the number of its subordinate members has been greatly increased, nor indeed that I feel conscious of having performed the duties and all the duties of my station, as they should have been performed; but its labors have been nevertheless harmonious and successful—a right spirit has dictated our intercourse with each other, and from all quarters, we are cheered with the most positive assurances, that the Institution of Odd Fellowship is now well and permanently planted in the best affections of our people.

I have a further satisfaction in stating, that since the last annual Communication, there have been few questions of difficulty referred to this office for settlement and advice; and still fewer complaints of local disagreement and disturbance. The absence of such occasions of excitement, not uncommon under more populous jurisdictions, is a gratifying evidence of the prevalence of good fraternal feeling, and an habitual observance of the laws; nor can it be denied that all that is wanting to render our organizations wholly efficient, is *increased zealousness and activity*. These virtues, with union, are fundamental conditions of success; and it were needless to invoke any more auspicious

means, of leading the order to usefulness, of developing its gracious resources for practical good, and of thus redeeming its high pledges before the public.

Within the past year, dispensations have been granted for the institution of the following new Lodges:

"Samaritan Lodge, No. 31," at Chapel Hill, opened by special D. G. M., T. M. Oliver;

"Caswell Lodge, No. 32," at Yanceyville, opened by special D. G. M., P. F. Pescud;

"Occidental Lodge, No. 33," at Gatesville, opened by P. G. M., R. H. Worthington;

"Contentnea Lodge, No. 34," at Snow Hill, opened by special D. G. M., J. N. Washington.

"Howard Lodge, No. 35," at Shelby, opened by special D. G. M., W. Lander;

"Salem Lodge, No. 36," at Salem, opened by special D. G. M., G. J. McElroy;

"Olive Branch Lodge, No. 37," at Smithfield, opened by G. M., P. Busbee;

"Constancia Lodge, No. 38," at Windsor, opened by D. G. M., John G. Williams.

"Pedee Lodge, No. 39," at Wadesboro, opened by special D. G. M., W. L. Steele.

These new Lodges are represented as in successful operation, and I respectfully recommend that Charters be granted them; nor shall I omit here to express my grateful thanks for the prompt and efficient services of the above named officers, in instituting the same.

Dispensations have been granted to the following Lodges for a change of their times of regular meeting:—To Tuscarora Lodge, No 22, from Saturday to Friday; To Neuse Lodge, No. 6, to meet the 4th Saturday in every month; To Winchester Lodge, No. 16, to meet once a fortnight; and to Contentnea Lodge, No. 34, to meet the 2d and 4th Thursdays in every month.

And to the following Lodges dispensations have been granted for public processions and addresses, to turn out in regalia, &c: To Washington Lodge, No. 3; Muchuena Lodge, No. 20; Winchester Lodge, No. 16; Cross Creek Lodge, No. 4; Buena Vista Lodge, No. 21; Piedmont Lodge, No. 25; Smyrna Lodge, No. 18; Yadkin Lodge, No. 30; Esperanza Lodge, No. 28; Achoree Lodge, No. 14; and Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2.

It will be seen, by reference to the correspondence of this office,

which is herewith submitted, that some questions of interest have arisen, which perhaps may require legislation at your hands. In two instances, complaints have been preferred, touching disreputable conduct in members who had received withdrawal cards. It can not be denied that such persons are beyond the jurisdiction of the Lodges after granting the cards; but I respectfully suggest whether it should not be made the express duty of such Lodges, under the circumstances, being satisfied of dishonorable conduct in withdrawn members, to notify the other Lodges within the jurisdiction, of the fact, to the end that they may not be imposed upon by the same unworthy persons. In another instance, it was represented that the V. G. of one of the subordinate Lodges (Falling Creek, No. 29,) had removed from the State, and an application was made for a dispensation, authorizing a special election of a new officer. The circumstances stated were thought to be sufficient to warrant the issuing of the dispensation, as asked for. The facts of the case will appear by reference to the said application; and it is submitted whether the authority exercised should not be declared, by Resolution, as properly incident to the office, or, if not, whether there should not be some provision of law to meet similar contingencies hereafter.

There may appear other questions of some interest, disclosed by the correspondence, but which it is considered unnecessary particularly to advert to here. In this connection, however, I beg leave respectfully to suggest the importance of adopting some means by which the correspondence and transactions of this office may be more conveniently and permanently kept, for future reference and use. It has occurred to me, that if your G. Master were required to keep a letter book, into which the correspondence of the office, or the more important portions of it, shall be copied, it would be of great convenience to this body in its deliberations, and of still greater advantage, in the course of time, to successors after successors in the office.

For an account of the financial operations of the past year, you are respectfully referred to the report of the Grand Secretary.

I deem it a fit occasion to express the very great embarrassment and regret which I experienced at the beginning of the year, in being put to an unavoidable delay in communicating the A. T. P. W. to the subordinate Lodges. At a proper time, during your session, explanations will be given why this important duty was not sooner performed, and which, it is hoped, will be regarded by you as satisfactory.

It is not unknown to you that our Representatives to the G. L. of the United States did not have it in their power to attend the Com-

munication of that body last autumn. In its proceedings, which will be laid before you, it will be perceived that they have, by a large vote, repealed the tax law adopted at the previous session; and also declared, by resolution, the authority of that body to locate its seat of government elsewhere than at Baltimore. These topics are specially mentioned here, forasmuch as they have each been the occasion of much discussion and disagreement in various G. bodies. And though, in regard to the former, there is now no necessity for further debate, I cannot but express the gratification I have felt at what seems to be a final settlement of the question, and my earnest hope that the ways and means provided by the existing law, for raising the necessary revenues of that body, will meet with general approbation and support. So, too, in respect to the other question, it is believed that the G. L. of the United States was clearly and undoubtedly warranted, both by the Constitution and by former usage, in the resolution they adopted. And as both these questions are and have been of much general interest to the Order, it is submitted whether, following the examples of other Grand Lodges, you should not add the weight of your opinion—whatever it shall be—on the subjects respectively.

Of the papers and proceedings received at this office, it is proper that I should call your attention to those of the G. L. of Pennsylvania, in which occurs an observation, made in a report of one of their Committees, (in the least exceptionable spirit) denying the right of this Lodge to two Representatives in the G. L. of the United States, at its session of 1849; this jurisdiction then having, it is said, according to its latest report, only 955 subordinate members. By reference to said report, it will be seen that some of the subordinate Lodges failed to make their returns; and hence the apparent deficiency. But in the election and claim of two Representatives, this body acted upon the fact, well known and unquestionable here, that it possessed the required ratio to entitle it to the representation. It is, however, due to the reading public of our Order, that they should be undeceived as to the allegation that this Lodge has disregarded so important a requirement of the general law; and the self-respect of your body would seem to demand that some formal notice should be taken of the subject.

I cannot conclude this report without expressing my sincere regret, that I have enjoyed so little leisure from the engagements of my profession, for visiting the Lodges under this jurisdiction, and especially for performing, in person, more of the duties belonging to the station, in which, a year ago, your kindness placed me. In all sincerity, I am perfectly sensible of how inadequate has been my return for that kind-

ness; and I now most earnestly beseech your indulgence for whatever omissions and errors that have rendered less useful the administration of an office which has been so worthily filled by my predecessors.

May Heaven direct and bless all your deliberations here, to the end that great good may be accomplished through the instrumentality of our beloved Order, and that the kindly offices of Friendship, Love, and Truth, may be made perpetual in our intercourse with the world and each other.

Fraternally submitted,

PERRIN BUSBEE, *G. M.*

On motion of Rep, Gales the Report of the Grand Master was referred to Reps. S. Gales, Jno. Winslow, and A. T. McCollum.

The Grand Secretary presented his Report as follows:

REPORT OF GRAND SECRETARY.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Grand Secretary, pursuant to the law directing the same, begs very respectfully to present the following Report:

From the Semi-annual Returns of the Subordinate Lodges of the State, it appears that there are 1,396 contributing members within the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge; that during the period between January 1st and December 31st, 1850, there have been 331 initiations, 47 rejections, 40 admitted by card, 13 reinstated, 103 suspended, 18 expelled, 14 deceased. The whole amount of revenue has been $13,575 90. The Widow and Orphan's Fund amounts to $2,106 65, and the amount due the Grand Lodge $1,146 85.

There has been expended for the relief of Brothers, $813 75; for burying the dead, $415 00; for the education of orphans, $67 85; and for the relief of widowed families, $391 45—making the sum of $1,798 05, paid out for relief.

Upon reference to a resolution which may be found on page 101 of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge, it will be seen that "*the fund set apart by the Subordinate Lodges for the benefit of the widows and orphans of deceased brothers, and also the Orphan School Fund, is not subject to the tax of ten per cent. to the Grand Lodge.*" This resolution seems not to be fully understood. Some Lodges include, under this head, not only the Widow and Orphan's Fund, but also the fund set apart for educational purposes. From an examination of the re-

ports of Subordinate Lodges for a year or more past, it will be obvious that there are many errors in them; these, no doubt, occur from want of information on the subject. When these reports are sent to the Grand Secretary, he has no data from which he may be enabled to correct the mistakes. As an example: In the report of one of the Lodges, it appears that there were 25 persons initiated, and the whole number of members 28; for the 25 initiations the Lodge could not have received less than $125; for dues from 28 members, not less than $1 62 could be received from each, for the term of six months, making $45 36. Without calculating that a single degree had been taken, there must therefore have been the sum of $170 36 as the revenue for that term; yet the report gives but $91 74 as the whole amount of revenue. While the mistake is palpable, the Grand Secretary has no means of rectifying it; I would therefore suggest, that hereafter the blanks for reports from Subordinate Lodges contain the following heads, viz.: Name and No. of the Lodge; where held; county; time of meeting; initiations; rejections; admitted by card; withdrawn by card; reinstatements; suspensions; expulsions; deaths; Past Grands; members; amount received for initiations; do. for degrees; do. for dues; do. for Widow and Orphan's Fund; do. for fines, and from other sources; whole amount of revenue; amount upon which per centage is to be paid; amount due the Grand Lodge.

By reference to a resolution upon page 196 of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge; it will be seen that the price of withdrawal and travelling cards to Subordinate Lodges has been fixed at 6 1-4 cents. At the time this resolution was adopted, the price charged for cards was the same as that charged by the Grand Lodge of the United States. The price has been raised to 10 cents. It is therefore worthy of consideration whether the price to Subordinate Lodges should not be the same.

A resolution of the Grand Lodge, to be found on page 197 of the proceedings, requires that the installing officer of a Subordinate Lodge should not communicate the P. W. or proceed to invest the officers with their authority, until he is satisfied that the report of the preceding term, with the dues to the Grand Lodge, has been forwarded to the Grand Secretary. This resolution is not complied with in many instances, and attention is now directed to the matter, that its provisions may hereafter be enforced.

The attention of the Grand Lodge is also directed to the resolution on page 167, requiring all the Lodges under its jurisdiction to forward to every Communication of the Grand Lodge a copy of its By-

Laws and Rules of Order. This resolution seems to have escaped the notice of many of the Lodges.

The following Resolutions, offered at the last Annual Communication, were, according to the 20th Article of the Constitution, required to lie over until the present Communication:

Resolved, That Sections 2d, 3d, and 4th, of Article 13th, of the Constitution of this Grand Lodge, be striken out.

Resolved, That, hereafter, no Subordinate Lodge, within this jurisdiction, shall be represented in this Grand Lodge by proxy.

Resolved, That the sixteenth Article of the Constitution be amended, by striking out section first, and inserting the following, viz:

"The Grand Officers shall be elected at each Annual Communication, on the third day, and they shall be installed immediately after the organization of the Grand Lodge at its succeeding Communication, as the first business in order, the first day."

In the absence of the Grand Treasurer from the State, the Grand Secretary has made out the following Statement of the Financial condition of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, on the 13th of May, 1851. This may not be perfectly accurate, but any errors can be corrected during the present session.

STATEMENT

Of the Financial condition of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, on the 13th of May, 1851.

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Cash paid Grand Treasurer,	$195 64	
Cash received for Dispensations,	240 00	
" " " Dues, &c.,	844 16	
Due from Subordinate Lodges,	458 66	
Note on Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2,	300 00	
" " Neuse " " 6,	300 00	
" " Eureka " " 7,	257 79	
" " Grand Encampment of N. C.,	75 00	
Interest on the above Notes, 12 months,	55 96	
		$2,727 21

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Disbursements, as per accompanying vouchers,	$756 39	
Balance,	1,970 82	
		$2,727 21

The following tables contain Abstracts of the Semi-annual Returns of the Subordinate Lodges. These tables do not give the exact condition of the Lodges under this jurisdiction, from the fact that some of them have failed to send in their Reports for the second term of the past year. It is hoped some means will be adopted at this communication to secure more promptitude in the forwarding of the Reports of Subordinate Lodges.

Respectfully submitted,

W. D. COOKE, *Grand Secretary.*

ABSTRACT of the Semi-Annual Report of Subordinate Lodges under the jurisdiction of the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina, commencing January 1st, 1850, and ending December 31st, 1850.

Number.	Name of Lodges.	Where Held.	County.	Time of Meeting.	Initiations.	Rejections.	Adt. by Card.	Whdn by Card	Reinstated.	Suspensions.	Expulsions.	Deaths.	Past Grands.	Members.	Whole Amo't of Revenue.	Widow & Orphan's Fund.	Amount upon which Perclnage has to be Paid.	Amount Due the Grand Lodge.
2	Cape Fear	Wilmington	New Hanover	Tuesday	9	3	1	10	1		7	1	26	147	$995 54	$260 30	735 24	$73 52
3	Washington	Murfreesborough,	Hertford	Friday	4		3	7		1		2	8	33	139 64		139 64	13 96
4	Cross Creek	Fayetteville	Cumberland	do.	9	1	2	1	1	22			14	61	360 49	52 55	307 94	30 79
5	Thaddeus	Clinton	Sampson	do.	2			7		10	3		10	37	229 52	33 68	195 84	19 58
6	Neuse	Goldsborough	Wayne	Saturday	3	2		3	1				8	62	186 25		186 25	18 62
7	Eureka	Newbern	Craven	Friday	2		1	4		35			11	90	286 35	59 62	226 73	22 67
8	Manteo	Raleigh	Wake	do.	9		2	16					13	85	312 35	88 00	224 35	22 43
9	Meck. Declaration	Charlotte	Mecklinburg	Tuesday	7			9					6	50	198 25	28 75	169 50	16 95
10	Phalanx	Washington	Beaufort	Friday,	17	10	1	5	2	22		4	7	120	792 50	163 77	628 73	62 87
11	Concordia	Beaufort	Carteret	do.	7			2				1	8	44	269 50	102 50	167 00	16 70
12	Trent	Trenton	Jones	do.	5			1			4	1	5	11	291 55	180 37	111 18	11 11
13	Franklin	Louisburg	Franklin	Wednesday,			1	6		4			6	23	273 52	24 00	249 52	24 95
14	Achoree	Elizabeth City	Pasquotank	Friday	14	5	1	4		8			7	80	1,785 19	280 18	1,505 01	150 50
16	Winchester	Rocky Mount	Edgcomb	Saturday	7		3	2			1		1	38	264 38	21 42	242 96	24 30
17	Covenant	Greenville	Pitt	Friday														
18	Smyrna	Smyrna	Carteret	Saturday	2	1							4	22	140 87	13 50	127 37	12 73
19	Mountain	Lincolnton	Lincoln	Friday	19		2	2					5	46	944 00	211 01	732 99	73 30
20	Muchuena	Warrenton	Warren	Thursday	8		5	6		1	2		5	53	394 00	72 00	322 00	32 20
21	Buena Vista	Greensboro'	Guilford	Tuesday	12			6				1	4	44	656 26	18 25	638 01	63 80
22	Tuscarora	Kinston	Lenoir	Friday	19	2	1	7					4	32	594 30	115 12	389 18	38 92
23	Tryon	Rutherfordton	R therford	do.	3			3					4	21	146 05	28 60	117 45	11 75
24	Oriental	Colerain	Bertie	Thursday	3			1					4	34	218 46	33 90	184 56	18 45
25	Piedmont	Morganton	Burke	Tuesday	24	4	8	5					3	57	618 37	32 00	586 37	58 63
26	North State	Salisbury	Rowan	do.	21	3						1	3	46	499 06	35 88	464 18	46 41
27	Columbus	Whitesville	Columbus	Saturday	38	9	1				1		1	43	1,004 52		1,004 52	100 45

28	Esperanza	Plymouth	Washington	Thursday	14	6	2	7				1	2	16	804 66	206 65	598 01	59 80
29	Falling Creek	Rockingham	Richmond	Monday	29		3	2					1	29	483 01	7 82	475 19	47 51
30	Yadkin	Clemmonsville	Davidson	Tuesday	13	1		3					1	15	239 00	25 53	213 47	21 35
31	Samaritan	Chapel Hill	Orange		9		1	1						14	133 50		133 50	13 35
32	Caswell	Yanceyville	Caswell															
33	Occidental	Gatesville	Gates		25		2	4						27	374 81	8 25	366 36	36 65
34	Contentnea	Snow Hill	Greene	Thursday	4								1	11	30 00	4 00	26 00	2 60
35	Howard	Shelby	Cleaveland															
36																		
					331	47	40	124	13	103	18	14	172	1396	$13,575 90	$2,106 65	$11,469 25	$1,146 85

RELIEF REPORT, for the year ending December 31, 1850.

Number.	Name of Lodges.	No. of Broth'rs Relieved.	No. of Widow'd Families Rel.	No. of Brothers Buried.	Amo't Paid for Relief of Bro's.	Amo't Paid for Burying the Dead.	Amo't Paid for Education of Orphans.	Amo't Paid for Relief of Widowed Families.	Total.
2	Cape Fear	33	3	1	$200 00	$20 00	$20 75	$130 00	$370 75
3	Washington	3	2	2	60 25	60 00			120 25
4	Cross Creek	7			42 00				42 00
5	Thaddeus	3			33 00				33 00
6	Neuse	1			60 00				60 00
7	Eureka	3			22 50				22 50
8	Manteo			1		20 00			20 00
9	Meck. Declaration	1	1	1	48 00	30 00		3 75	81 75
10	Phalanx	19	14	4	28 00	140 00	14 10	153 00	455 10
11	Concordia								
12	Trent								
13	Franklin								
14	Aehoree	6	1	1	43 00	25 00		84 00	157 00
16	Winche:ter	3			54 00				54 00
17	Convenant								
18	Smyrna		2					3 70	3 70
19	Mountain	6			42 00	15 00			57 00
20	Muchuena	6			45 00	15 00			60 00
21	Buena Vista			1		50 00			50 00
22	Tuscarora	2			15 00				15 00
23	Tryon	3			28 00				28 00
24	Oriental	3			18 00				18 00
25	Piedmont	1			12 00				12 00
26	North State								
27	Columbus	2			15 00				15 00
28	Esperanza	5	2	1	43 00	20 00	33 00	12 00	108 00
29	Falling Creek								
30	Yadkin					20 00			20 00
31	Samaritan								
32	Caswell								
33	Occidental								
34	Contentnea								
35	Howard								
36									
		107	25	12	$813 75	$415 00	$67 85	$391 45	$1,798 05

On motion of Rep. A. P. Repiton, the Report of the Grand Secretary was referred to a Select Committee consisting of Representatives Hardenbergh, Repiton and Steele, to classify and refer to appropriate Committees.

The Deputy Grand Master appointed the following Standing Committees:

COMMITTEE ON THE STATE OF THE ORDER.

Reps. T. H. Hardenbergh, Jno. Winslow and E. W. Jones.

COMMITTEE ON PETITIONS.

Reps. J. E. Morris, T. M. Sackett and Seaton Gales.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Reps. O. W. Telfair, T. A. Montgomery and T. M. Sackett.

COMMITTEE ON RETURNS AND REPORTS OF SUBORDINATE LODGES.

Reps. J. B. Newby, A. T. McCollum and George Lauder.

COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONS, BY-LAWS AND RULES OF ORDER.

Reps. T. M. Gardner, D. Parrish and W. H. Clark.

COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE.

Reps. J. C. Justice, W. H. Gibbon and I. Procter.

COMMITTEE ON SUBORDINATE LODGES NOT REPRESENTED.

Reps. E. W. Jones, W. M. Puryear and J. B. Webb.

On motion, the Grand Lodge adjourned to meet at half past 4 o'clock, P. M.

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4 1-2 o'clock, P. M.

The Grand Lodge met pursuant to adjournment, the R. W. Deputy Grand Master, Julius Wilcox, in the Chair.

The Committee on Credentials presented the following report, which was adopted:

The Committee on Credentials have examined the credentials of P. G., J. L. Mosely, Representative of Thaddeus Lodge, No. 5; J. B. Littlejohn, Representative of Franklin Lodge, No. 13. Also, the certificate of service of P. G., D. G. McRae, of Cross Creek Lodge, No. 4, and P. G., P. F. Pescud, of Manteo Lodge, No. 8, and find them correct. Your Committee would recommend that they be introduced and receive the G. L. Degree.

A. PAUL REPITON,
THOS. M. GARDNER,
GEORGE LAUDER.

The above named Representatives were then introduced, and the Grand Lodge Degree was conferred upon those who had not preivously received it.

The Grand Secretary presented a communication from Neuse Lodge, No. 6; which was referred to the Committee on Petitions.

Representative Seaton Gales, from the Select Committee on the Grand Master's Report, presented the following report, which was adopted:

The Select Committee on the Classification of the Grand Master's Annual Communication, submit the following Report: Refer,

1st. On granting Charters to Lodges working under Dispensations from the Grand Master, to the Committee on Petitions.

2d. On disreputable conduct of brothers who have received withdrawal cards, and questions connected therewith, to the Committee on the State of the Order.

3d. Preservation of the correspondence of Grand Master, to a Select Committee of three.

4th. Action as to certain proceedings of the G. L. U. S., mentioned in the Report of the Grand Master, to a Select Committee of three.

5th. Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, relative to the right of this Grand Lodge to two Representatives in the G. L. U. S., to a Select Committee of three.

The Grand Master in accordance with the above Report, appointed the following Committees:

On the Preservation of the correspondence of G. M., Reps. T. M. Sackett, W. H. Clark and A. T. McCollum.

On the Proceedings of the G. L. U. S. Reps. W. L. Steele, T. A. Montgomery, and J. B. Littlejohn.

On Proceedings of G. L. of Pennsylvania, Reps. D. G. McRae, S. Gales and J. C. Justice.

Rep W. L. Steele from the Committee appointed to classify the Grand Secretary's Report, presented the following report which was concurred in:

To the R. W. G. Lodge of North Carolina I. O. O. F.

The special Committee to whom was referred the report of the Grand Secretary, for the purpose of allotting the various subjects therein contained, to appropriate Committees, respectfully recommended the following distribution:

Those parts of the report in reference to the returns from Subordinates, to the Committee on Returns and Reports of Subordinate Lodges.

So much as relates to the price of cards, to the Committee of Finance.

So much as refers to Resolution on page 197, in relation to the duties of Installing Officers to Committee on Reports and Resolutions,

The Statement in reference to the Financial condition of the Grand Lodge to the Committee of Finance.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

T. H. HARDENBERGH.
A. PAUL REPITON,
W. L. STEELE.

Rep. Hardenbergh presented an appeal from Phalanx Lodge, as to certain proceedings of that Lodge in relation to the reconsideration of an election of a candidate for membership; also, a response to said appeal from a scarlet member of said Lodge, which on his motion, was referred to a Select Committee of three.

The D. G. M. appointed as said Committee, P. G.'s McRae, Parrish and Littlejohn.

The Committee on Petitions presented the following report, which was adopted:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee on Petitions, to whom was referred the accompanying communication from Neuse Lodge, No. 6, beg leave to report, as follows:

It appearing from Article XIX of the General Laws, that it is clearly within the power of the Grand Lodge to reverse, at its pleasure, the decision in the case referred to, and for further reasons, which are sufficiently apparent on the face of the communication, the Committee recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted.

J. E. MORRIS,
T. M. SACKETT,
S. GALES.

Rep. J. Winslow offered the following, which was adopted:

It appearing to the Lodge that there is some informality in the certificate appointing P. G. Steele, proxy from Pedee Lodge, No. 39.

Resolved, That the Committee on Credentials be instructed to report in favor of receiving the certificate and admitting the Proxy.

The Committee on Credentials presented the following report, which was adopted:

The Committee on Credentials, &c., beg leave to report that they have examined the certificate of P. G., W. L. Steele, Proxy, of Pedee Lodge, No. 39 and find some informality, owing to the recent organization of that Lodge, and recommend that the usual formalities be dispensed with, and the Proxy admitted.

A. PAUL REPITON,
T. M. GARDNER,
GEORGE LAUDER.

On motion of Rep. W. H. McKee, the Chair appointed the following Committee on Unfinished Business: Reps. S. Gales, W. L. Steele, W. H. Clark, who presented the following report:

The Committee on Unfinished Business beg leave to report, that they have examined the Proceedings of the last Communication of this Grand Lodge, and find the following Resolutions requiring action:

Resolved. That Sections 2d, 3d, and 4th, of Article 13th, of the Constitution of this Grand Lodge, be striken out.

Resolved, That, hereafter, no Subordinate Lodge, within this jurisdiction, shall be represented in this Grand Lodge by proxy.

Resolved, That the 16th Article of the Constitution be amended, by striking out section 1, and inserting the following, viz:

"The Grand Officers shall be elected at each Annual Communication, on the third day, and they shall be installed immediately after the organization of the Grand Lodge at its succeeding Communication, as the first business in order, the first day."

On motion the Report of the Committee on Unfinished Business was made the special order for 11 o'clock to-morrow.

Rep. P. F. Pescud presented a letter from Caswell Lodge, No. 32, requesting him to act as proxy representative for that Lodge. The subject was referred to the Committee on Credentials.

The By Laws of Caswell Lodge, No. 32, were also presented by Rep. Pescud, and referred to the Committee on By Laws.

On motion, the Grand Lodge adjourned to meet at 11 o'clock, to-morrow.

THURSDAY, 11 o'clock, A. M.

The Grand Lodge met, the R. W. D. G. M. in the Chair.

The proceedings of yesterday were read and approved.

The Committee on Credentials presented the following, which was adopted:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee on Credentials beg leave to report that they have examined the certificate from Winchester Lodge, No. 16, appointing P. G., B. B. Lawrence their Representative to this Grand Body, and, although there is no certificate of service accompanying it, they recommend that he be introduced and the G. L. Degree be conferred upon him.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. PAUL REPITON,
THOS. M. GARDNER,
GEORGE LAUDER.

P. G., B. B. Lawrence was admitted, and the G. L. Degree was conferred upon him.

The special business of this hour being the Unfinished Business of the last Annual Communication, the Resolution proposing to strike out the 2d, 3d, and 4th sections of Article 13th of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina was taken up.

Rep. W. L. Steele moved the indefinite postponement of the Resolution; which was not concurred in.

The subject was then fully discussed by Reps. A. P. Repiton and John Winslow, in favor, and by Rep. W. L. Steele against the Resolution.

On motion of Rep. D. G. McRae,

Resolved, That the sense of this Grand Lodge be taken on the proposed alteration of the Constitution, section by section.

The question recurring upon striking out section 2d of the 13th Article of the Constitution, it was decided in the affirmative.

Sections 3d and 4th of the same Article were also striken out.

The question then recurred to the amendment proposed at the last Annual Communication, as follows:

Resolved That, hereafter, no Subordinate Lodge, within this jurisdiction, shall be represented in this Grand Lodge by proxy.

Rep. A. P. Repiton offered the following as a substitute:

Resolved, That no Lodge shall be represented by proxy except those Lodges which have no Past Grands, as also those which have had P. G's, but who have removed out of the State, or withdrawn from said Lodges, or been taken away by death, and no brother shall represent as proxy, more than one Lodge, at any one time.

Rep. J. B. Littlejohn offered the following resolution, which was rejected:

Resolved, That the vote of the Grand Lodge on the 2nd section of article 13th of the Constitution be reconsidered.

The question being taken upon the substitute of Rep. Repiton, it was decided in the affirmative.

The Resolution proposing to change the mode of electing Grand Officers, was on motion of Rep. S. Gales, indefinitely postponed.

The Committee on Subordinate Lodges not represented, made the following report, which was received.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee to whom was referred the Lodges not represented in this body, beg leave to report, that the following Lodges are without a representation, to wit:

Washington	Lodge,	No.	3.	Mecklenburg Dec.	Lodge,	No.	9.
Concordia	"	"	11.	Covenant	"	"	17.
Smyrna	"	"	18.	Mountain	"	"	19.
Tryon	"	"	23.	Oriental	"	"	24.
Piedmont	"	"	25.	North State	"	"	26.
Columbus	"	"	27.	Samaritan	"	"	31.
Caswell	"	"	32.	Occidental	"	"	33.
Howard	"	"	35.	Salem	"	"	36.
Olive Branch	"	"	37.	Constancia	"	"	38.

And that the following Lodges are represented by proxy, to wit:

Trent Lodge, No. 12, by *P. G.*, J. E. Morris.
Pedee " " 39, " " W. L. Steele.

Submitted,

E. W. JONES, *Chm'n.*
J. B. WEBB,
W. M. PURYEAR.

The Special Committee on Grand Master's Report, presented the following which was adopted.

The Special Committee to whom was referred that part of the Grand Master's Report relative to "the importance of adopting some means, by which the correspondence and transactions of his office may be more conveniently and permanently kept for future reference and use," respectfully beg leave to report the following resoluion.

Resolved, That the Grand Master be directed to procure a letter book, and record all letters written by him in his official capacity; and that he have the same to submit to the annual meetings of the Grand Lodge when he makes his Report. The committee also recommend that a similar book be kept by the Grand Secretary, to preserve all of his official correspondence, to be submitted also at the annual meetings of the Grand Lodge.

T. M. SACKETT,
W. H. CLARK.

The Committee on the State of the Order made the following report which was adopted.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee on the State of the Order to whom was referred the suggestion contained in the Grand Master's report, to make it the duty of Subordinate Lodges, to notify other Lodges of disreputable conduct on the part of members holding withdrawal cards, to the end that they may not be imposed upon by the same unworthy persons, beg leave to report,

That, in the opinion of your Committee, Lodges are fully authorized by Art. 7, Sect. 10, page 37 of the Digest, to recall or annul a withdrawal card, and to expel the offender upon charges duly preferred, and that no farther legislation upon this subject, is necessary.

Respectfully submitted.

T. H. HARDENBERGH,
J. WINSLOW,
E. W. JONES.

The Committee on Returns, &c., from Subordinate Lodges presented the following Report and Resolutions, which were adopted:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee on Returns and Reports from Subordinate Lodges, to whom was referred that portion of the Grand Secretary's Report relative to discrepancies and informalities existing in the Reports which have of late been made, would respectfully recommend, that the suggestions of the Grand Secretary be concurred in by this body, and that he be directed to furnish each Subordinate Lodge with blank returns.

To carry out the above named recommendation, your Committee recommend the adoption of the following:

Resolved, That the recommendations of the Grand Secretary be concurred in.

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be instructed to furnish each Subordinate Lodge with blank forms of Reports, according to the form recommended by him; and that the Subordinate Lodges be required to conform strictly to the same.

Respectfully submitted.

J. B. NEWBY,
GEORGE LAUDER,
A. T. McCOLLUM.

The Committee on Correspondence offered the following, which was concurred in:

The Committee on Correspondence beg leave to report, that, in the examination of the G. M.'s correspondence, they find a communication from Smyrna Lodge, No. 18, and one from Yadkin Lodge, No. 30, and the G. M.'s replies thereto, and recommend they be referred to a Select Committee.

J. C. JUSTICE, *Chairman.*

The D. G. M., appointed Reps. Steele, Jones and Sackett, on the above report.

Rep. T. H. Hardenbergh presented the following, which was adopted:

WHEREAS, On reference to the books of the Grand Secretary, it will appear that an assessment has been made during the past year, upon the Subordinate Lodges of this jurisdiction, in addition to that authorized by the resolution on page 288, of the journal of last session: Therefore,

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed to inquire, and report by what authority this assessment was made.

The Chair appointed upon this Committee, Reps. T. H. Hardenbergh, D. G. McRae and A. P. Repiton.

The Committee on Petitions offered the following report, which was adopted:

The Committee on Petitions, to whom were referred applications for Charters from Samaritan Lodge, No. 31; Caswell Lodge, No. 32; Occidental Lodge, No. 33; Contentnea Lodge, No. 34; Howard Lodge, No. 35; Salem Lodge, No. 36; Olive Branch Lodge, No. 37; Constancia Lodge, No. 38; and Pedee Lodge, No. 39; Lodges at present working under dispensations from the G. M., respectfully recommend that their respective Charters be granted.

J. E. MORRIS,
T. M. SACKETT,
SEATON GALES.

On motion of Rep. A. P. Repiton, it was

Resolved, That the first business of this afternoon's session, be the nomination and election of Grand Officers for the ensuing year.

On motion, adjourned to meet at quarter past 3 this afternoon.

THURSDAY, 3¼ o'clock P. M.

The Grand Lodge met pursuant to adjournment R. W. D. Grand Master, in the chair.

By unanimous consent the regular order of business for this hour was suspended for the purpose of presenting the following Resolution offered by Rep. John Winslow which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge loan to Neuse Lodge, No. 6, $300 00 upon said Neuse Lodge giving proper and good security for the payment of the same; and that the loan be granted for the term of two years.

The Grand Lodge proceeded to the Election of Officers for the ensuing year.

Rep. J. C. Justice nominated T. H. Hardenbergh, and Rep. J. B. Webb nominated Julius Wilcox.

The R. W. D. Grand Master, appointed Reps. Steele and Jones, tellers to count the votes, who reported that T. H. Hardenbergh, had been elected Grand Master.

Nominations for Deputy Grand Master being called for,

Rep. A. P. Repiton nominated W. J. McElroy.

The vote being taken the Committee reported that W. J. McElroy had been elected R. W. D. G. Master.

Nominations being called for Grand Secretary, Rep. Gales nominated W. D. Cooke, but upon the request of Rep. Cooke the nomination was withdrawn, when upon motion of Rep. John Winslow, the election of Grand Secretary was deferred for the present, and the nomination for Grand Warden called for, when Rep. Repiton nominated J. E. Morris.

The ballot having been taken, the Committee reported that J. E. Morris was duly elected R. W. Grand Warden.

Nominations for Grand Treasurer being called for, Rep. Repiton nominated T. M. Gardner, and Rep. Sackett nominated George Lauder.

After receiving the ballots, the Committee reported that T. M. Gardner had been duly elected R. W. Grand Treasurer.

Nominations for R. W. Grand Chaplain were called for, when Rep. Webb nominated Rev. H. H. Gibbon.

Upon counting the ballots, the Committee reported that Rev. H. H. Gibbon was duly elected R. W. G. Chaplain.

Nominations, for G. Representative being called for, Rep. Repiton nominated John Winslow, and Rep. Gales nominated W. L. Steele.

Upon a ballot being taken, John Winslow was declared elected.

Upon motion of Rep. John Winslow, it was

Resolved, That the salary of Grand Secretary be fixed at $250.

A ballot being taken, Rev. A. P. Repiton was declared elected Grand Secretary.

Rep. W. J. McElroy offered the following Resolution:

Resolved, That the next Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge be held in the Hall of Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, in the town of Wilmington, on the second Wednesday in May next, and that our Representative to the Grand Lodge of the United States be instructed to ask the consent of that Grand Body thereto.

Rep. S. Gales moved to make the resolution the special order for 11 o'clock to-morrow, which was not agreed to.

Rep. W. L. Steele, opposed the removal of the Grand Lodge from the seat of Government.

Rep. A. P. Repiton asked that the vote on the resolution be taken by Lodges.

The discussion was continued by Reps. Gales, Repiton, Littlejohn and Oliver.

Rep. Gales moved to amend by inserting "Cross Creek Lodge, No. 4," in place of "Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2."

Rep. Repiton called for the vote on the amendment by Lodges.

Rep. Gales offered the following resolution, which was rejected:

Resolved, That Manteo Lodge, No. 8, be excused from voting.

Rep. Winslow asked that Cross Creek Lodge, No. 4, be excused from voting, which was not granted.

On motion of Rep. Repiton, all Lodges were allowed to vote without reference to their being in arrears to this Grand Lodge, owing to the errors in many of the returns of the Subordinate Lodges, and the doubt of the amount of their indebtedness to the Grand Lodge.

The vote being called the following Lodges voted in the affirmative:

Cross Creek Lodge, No. 4.		Falling Creek Ldoge, No. 29.	
Manteo " " 8.		Pedee " " 39.—4.	

Those who voted in the negative, were:

Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2.		Thaddeus Lodge, No. 5.	
Neuse " " 6.		Eureka " " 7.	
Phalanx " " 10.		Trent " " 12.	
Franklin " " 13.		Achoree " " 14.	
Winchester " " 16.		Muchuena " " 20.	
Buena Vista " " 21.		Tuscarora " " 22.	
Esperanza " " 28.		Yadkin " " 30.	
Contentnea " " 34.		Salem " " 36.—16.	

The question being then taken upon the original resolution of Rep. McElroy, those who voted in the affirmative, were:

Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2.		Cross Creek Lodge, No. 4.	
Thaddeus " " 5.		Neuse " " 6.	
Eureka " " 7.		Palanx " " 10.	
Trent " " 12.		Franklin " " 13.	
Achoree " " 14.		Winchester " " 16.	
Muchuena " " 20.		Buena Vista " " 21.	
Tuscarora " " 22.		Esperanza " " 28.	
Yadkin " " 30.		Salem " " 36.—17.	
Contentnea " " 34.			

Those who voted in the negative, were:

Manteo Lodge, No. 8.		Pedee Lodge, No. 39.—3.	
Falling Creek " 29			

Rep. Gales gave notice of an intention on the part of the representatives of Manteo Lodge, No. 8, to enter a protest and appeal to the R. W. Grand Lodge of the U. S.

The Select Committee on the resolution offered by Rep. Hardenbergh presented the following report and resolutions, which were adopted:

To the Right Worthy Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Select Committee to whom was referred the resolution of inquiry presented by Rep. Hardenbergh, in relation to the tax upon Subordinate Lodges, in addition to the 10 per cent. authorized by a resolution of the G. S. to be found upon page 288 of the journal of the last session, beg leave to report,

That in the discharge of the duties committed to them, they have applied to the G. S. for information as to the reasons for which this assessment was made.

Your Committee were informed by the G. S., that the requisition was made in consequence of the passage of a law by the G. L. U. S., (see p. 368 of the journal of the session of 1849,) and of the assessment made in pursuance of that law, by the G. L. U. S. upon the G. L. of this State, of a per capita tax of 6 cents.

After an attentive examination of the subject, your Committee are convinced that the expression in the resolution of the G. L. U. S., "pro rata upon the number of members, &c." refers solely to the manner in which said assessment shall be estimated; and that, if the resolution can be so construed as to direct the G. Lodges to assess this tax upon their Subordinates, it could not be done by the G. L. without a violation of an article of the Constitution, which restricts the power of taxation to 10 per cent. upon the revenue of each lodge.

Your Committee are therefore forced to the conclusion, that the assessment was made without authority of law, and is therefore null and void.

Your Committee, in considering this subject, may be permitted further to state, that in their opinion, if there *had existed* a law authorizing, in extreme exigency, the levying of any tax beyond 10 per cent. upon the revenue of Subordinates, there was no necessity, in this particular case for its exercise; for examination shows the fact, that the amount of the assessment tax upon this Grand Lodge was $63 87 1-2, and the amount formerly paid to Reps., to cover their necessary expenses, was $50 each—say $100 00 for the two Reps., showing clearly a considerable pecuniary gain to this Grand Lodge in consequence of the change.

Your Committee, are clearly of the opinion, therefore, that if, as they believe, this assessment has neither law, nor the plea of necessity to justify it, that the Subordinate Lodges should receive credit upon the books of the Grand Secretary for all sums which have been paid by them on this account.

With the view of carrying out the opinions expressed above, your Committee recommend the adoption of the accompanying resolutions.

Respectfully submitted,

T. H. HARDENBERGH,
D. G. McRAE,
A. PAUL REPITON.

Resolved, That the per capita tax of 6 cents assessed during the year just past, upon the Subordinate Lodges of this jurisdiction for the purpose of paying the G. L. U. S. Representative tax, was made without authority of law, and is therefore null and void.

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be, and he is hereby, instructed to credit the Subordinate Lodges upon his books with all such sums as may have been paid in consequence of the said assessment.

The Committee to whom part of the Report of the Grand Secretary was referred, presented the following report, which was adopted:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee on Returns and Reports, to whom was referred that part of the communication of the Grand Secretary, directing attention to the Resolution on page 197, Proceedings of the Grand Lodge, providing for the appointment, and defining the duties of Installing Officers of Subordinate Lodges, respectfully recommend, that the latter clause of that Resolution be so amended as to read—

"And the said Installing Officers shall not communicate the P. W. to the said Lodge, or proceed to invest the Officers with their authority, until he shall have received the report of the preceding term, with the per centage due the Grand Lodge."

They would further recommend the adoption of the following:

Resolved, That it shall be the *duty* of the Installing Officer of each Lodge under this jurisdiction, to transmit to the Grand Secretary, within one month after receiving the same, the Returns and per centage due the Grand Lodge.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. B. NEWBY,
A. T. McCOLLUM,
GEORGE LAUDER.

Reps. E. W. Jones and Rev. H. H. Gibbon asked leave of absence from and after to-morrow morning; which was granted.

The Grand Secretary elect, Rev. A. P. Repiton, asked permission to be installed this afternoon, and for leave of absence from and after to-morrow morning; which was granted.

The Committee on Finance offered the following Report, which was adopted:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

We, the undersigned Committee of Finance upon the accounts of the G.

Grand Treasurer and the Grand Secretary, ask leave to make the following Report:

We find a balance in the hands of the Grand Treasurer, of $141 64, in money, and in bonds, principal and interest, $1,015 43; and in the hands of the Grand Secretary, $60 42, in money. Also, in the hands of the G. Master. $124 75; and amount due from Subordinate Lodges (after deducting the sum of $15 03), to be $340 29: making, in all, the sum of $1,724 17.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

O. W. TELFAIR,
T. M. SACKETT,
THOS. A. MONTGOMERY.

Rep. Clark offered the following Query:

QUERY.

Is it in the power of a brother to withdraw the name of a person from the Lodge after it has been proposed, the committee appointed, and the committee reported.

Pending the consideration of this Query, the Grand Lodge adjourned to meet at 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, 9 o'clock, A. M.

The Grand Lodge met according to adjournment, the R. W. D. Grand Master in the Chair.

Rep. W. J. McElroy offered the following Resolution which was laid on the table for the present:

Resolved, That fifty dollars be allowed to Brother Cooke for extra services as Secretary of this Grand Body, and that an order be drawn for the same, to be paid out of any money not otherwise appropriated.

The Committee on Finance presented the following report, which was adopted:

To the R. W. G. Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the resolution recommending a loan of three hundred dollars, ($300) to Neuse Lodge, No. 6, for a term of two years, beg leave to say that they have considered the same, (and from the state of the finances,) it would be inexpedient at this time to make such a loan.

O. W. TELFAIR,
THOS. A. MONTGOMERY,
T. M. SACKETT.

The Committee on certain parts of the Grand Master's Report offered the following Report; which was adopted:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee to whom was referred the replies of the Grand Master to a communication from Bro. W. J. McElroy, of Yadkin Lodge, in reference to the competency of Installing Officers; and also to the communication from Smyrna Lodge, in reference to the eligibility of a certain person for membership, have had these subjects under consideration, and beg leave respectfully to Report:

That, in our opinion, no brother is competent to act as Installing Officer, according to the strict letter of law, except a regular Past Grand; and, therefore, (inasmuch as the brother deputed in this case had not attained that rank) that the opinion of the Grand Master was not in conformity to law. Yet your Committee feel no hesitation in saying, that cases sometimes occur which greatly palliate a departure from the legal course; and, in the case referred to, as no injury is likely to be done to the Order by the infraction, that the conduct of the G. M. should be approved.

In regard to the second case, your Committee feel constrained to say, that they think a dangerous precedent has been set, as well as a clear and fundamental violation of law committed. It appears that a certain person had become a member of the Order in the State of Georgia; and, from causes unknown to your Committee, precipitately left the place of his residence and never returned. This was several years ago. As he had, in the mean time, never paid his dues to the Lodge, the presumption is that the Lodge had taken action on his case, and that he has either been suspended or expelled. The fact, too, of his having left the place of his residence *precipitately*, affords a well-grounded reason that there might have been other causes to lead to action against him than the one specifically named. It must appear, therefore, that when he applied to Smyrna Lodge for admission, he was either a member of the Lodge which he had joined, or that he had been suspended or expelled; and, in either case, that Lodge had no right to admit him. True, if a member, he might have been admitted by *Card*, but not otherwise.

In every view of the case which has presented itself to our minds, we can see no reason, in consonance with the principles and laws of our Order, to justify the opinion of our highly respected Grand Master. And, really, we cannot see how this person *could have answered certain questions*, which ought to have been asked him, and doubtless were, to the *satisfaction* of our brethren of Smyrna Lodge.

Fraternally submitted.

W. L. STEELE,
T. M. SACKETT,
E. W. JONES.

The Committeee on Correspondence presented the following report, which was concurred in.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee on Correspondence beg leave to report they have examined all the papers placed in their hands and can find nothing more contained therein, requiring the consideration of this Grand Lodge, than has already been brought to its notice.

J. C. JUSTICE, *Chairman.*

Rep. Jno. Winslow offered the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge, whenever there are funds on hand not otherwise appropriated, loan to Neuse Lodge, No. 6, $300, and that the loan be granted for two years, provided that said Neuse Lodge, assign over to the Grand Lodge all its property and effects as a security therefor, and as security for $300, now due by said Neuse Lodge, and assign the policy of insurance now on said property to this Lodge, and also keep said property regularly insured, and assigned over to this Grand Lodge as payment for the $300 now due, and for the $300 now asked for.

On motion of Rep. D. Parish, the resolution offered by Rep. McElroy and laid upon the table this morning, granting $50 to Past Grand Secretary W. D. Cooke for extra services, was taken up and unanimously adopted.

Rep. J. E. Morris offered a Query which was referred to a Select Committee consisting of Reps. J. E. Morris, D. G. McRae, and J. B. Littlejohn.

The Select Committee on G. Master's Report presented the following which was adopted.

The Select Committee, to whom was referred those portions of the Report of the M. W. G. M. to this Communication, relating to the recent action of the G. L. U. S. have had the same under consideration and beg leave respectfully to report.

That they have no objection whatever to the change of the Tax Law referred to, and hope that it will meet with the approbation of this Grand Lodge.

In respect to the *right* to remove the seat of the G. L. U. S. they have no doubts; but yet are opposed to its exercise. It is now held at a very suitable place, and they trust will not be removed.

Fraternally,

W. L. STEELE,
J. B. LITTLEJOHN,
THOS. A. MONTGOMERY.

Rep. Seaton Gales presented the following Protest, which was ordered to be spread upon the minutes.

The undersigned, representing Manteo Lodge, No. 8, in the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, at the present Annual Communication, do hereby protest against certain proceedings of the Grand Lodge, in

connection with the proposition to transfer the place of meeting of said body to Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2.

The 20th Article of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina expressly stipulates that "No amendment, alteration, or addition, shall be made to this Constitution, *unless proposed in writing*, at a regular Communication, and supported by the Past Grands of two Lodges, (and a copy thereof, certified by the Grand Secretary, shall be forwarded to every Subordinate Lodge, for its consideration,) *until the next Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge*, and such proposed alteration, amendment, or addition, shall not take place, unless there shall appear in favor of it two-thirds of the votes present."

The 5th section of the 12th Article of the same Constitution, declares "That the Past Grands of Lodges not reporting to the Grand Lodge, and paying ther dues, are denied the right of voting."

And yet, this provision of the organic law of the Grand Lodge has been set aside, in the case referred to, in direct conflict with the said 20th Article, in whole and in detail,—*in whole*, in that the Past Grands of Lodges charged with dues on the books of the Grand Secretary, were permitted to vote,—*and in detail*, from the fact that the motion to set aside said 5th section was not reduced to writing, has not lain over from a previous Communication, and has been subjected, indeed, to none of the required formalities.

For these simple reasons, the undersigned protest against the proceedings of the Grand Lodge, in the matter of transferring their place of Annual Convocation. If there be anything real in the value of forms of Government, they must be preserved inviolate in their minutest details. Disregard of one portion will lead, insensibly, perhaps, but surely, to the violation of the whole.

[*Signed*] SEATON GALES,
THOS. M. OLIVER,
W. D. COOKE,
ISAAC PROCTER.

Rep. W. L. Steele offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be instructed to write to each Lodge within this jurisdiction calling its attention specially to the following By-Law of the G. L. U. S. "All State, District or Territorial Grand Lodges and Grand Encampments shall enforce upon their Subordinates a strict adherence to the work of the Order according to the forms furnished by the G. L. U. S., and shall be held responsible for any irregularities that they may allow under their jurisdiction. They shall neither adopt nor use, nor suffer to be adopted or used, in their jurisdiction any other charges lectures, degrees, ceremonies, forms of installation or regalia, than those prescribed by

the G. L. U. S." And also state to each that no departure in the slightest degree from them will be tolerated by this Grand Body.

On motion of D. G. McRae, the proceedings of the G. L. U. S. at its last session were referred to the Committee on the state of the Order, with instructions to report any matter requiring action by this Body.

Rep. A. T. McCollum presented the following Query, which was referred to the Committee on the state of the Order.

QUERY.

Is any other mode of expulsion for any cause, recognized by this Grand Lodge, other than that defined in article 19th of the General Laws?

The Chair appointed Rep. J. C. Justice on the Committee on the state of the Order, in place of Rep. Jones.

The Committee on Returns and Reports from Subordinate Lodges, presented the following Report which was laid on the table.

The Committee on Returns &c., from Subordinate Lodges, respectfully report, that they have examined in part the returns, and compared them with the abstract made out by the Grand Secretary. They find many errors in said abstract, and therefore recommend that it be referred back to the Grand Secretary, with instructions to correct the same. Respectfully submitted,

J. B. NEWBY,
A. T. McCOLLUM,
GEO. LAUDER.

Rep. Morris presented the following Query, which was referred to the Committee on the State of the Order.

QUERY.

When a ballot is had upon admitting a candidate to initiation, and more than one black ball is cast against him, is it in order to move to reconsider, with a view to ballot again?

The Committee on the State of the Order, presented the following report, which was concurred in.

The Committee on the State of the Order to whom was referred the following query: "Is any other mode of expulsion, for any cause recognized by this Grand Lodge, other than that defined in article 19th of the General Laws?" respectfully report that there is no other mode of expulsion, but the one set forth in article 19th of the General Laws.

J. WINSLOW,
J. CICERO JUSTICE.

On motion, Past Grand Master Dr. Wm. H. McKee, was appointed to give instruction on the unwritten work of the Order.

Rep. Morris offered the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on the State of the Order.

Resolved, That hereafter it shall be the duty of the Subordinate Lodges of this State to pre-pay all letters, and documents which may be transmitted from one Lodge to another in this State.

The Committee on Petitions, presented the following report which was concurred in.

The Committee on Petitions, to whom was referred a communication from Bro. Hoke, of Lincolnton, making application in behalf of certain brothers of Mountain Lodge, in that place, for a Charter for the establishment of a Lodge in the town of Newton, beg leave to report that they find some informality in the Cards of the applicants. The Committee, however, recommend that the application be granted as soon as the Cards are corrected according to Article 7, section 7, page 36 of the Digest.

Respectfully submitted.

J. E. MORRIS,
T. M. SACKETT,
SEATON GALES.

The Committee on Finance, presented the following report, which was concurred in.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Financial Committee having obtained the accounts of the Representatives from Subordinate Lodges to this Grand Body, would most respectfully recommend that the following sums be paid to each Officer and Representative:

Account of James M. Mosely,	*Rep.*	$13 00
A. S. Porter,	"	18 00
B. B. Lawrence,	"	22 00
D. C. Stone,	*Officer*,	6 75
W. L. Steele,	*Rep.*	25 00
T. A. Montgomery,	"	12 50
Julius Wilcox,	*D. G. M.*	12 50
T. H. Hardenbergh,	*Rep.*	33 00
Wm. H. Clark,	"	45 50
E. W. Jones,	"	46 00
W. J. McElroy,	"	12 00

A. T. McCollum,	"	28 00
T. M. Gardner,	*G. Con.*	28 00
H. H. Gibbons.	*Rep.*	20 50
G. Lauder,	*G. G.*	18 00
John Winslow,	*Rep.*	18 00
J. E. Morris,	"	33 50
J. B. Webb,	"	24 50
J. B. Littlejohn	"	4 50
W. M. Puryear	"	14 50
		$435 75

O. W. TELFAIR,
T. A. MONTGOMERY.

The Committee on Constitutions and By-Laws, reported as follows, which was concurred in.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee on Constitutions and By-Laws of Subordinates beg leave to report, that they have before them the Constitutions and By-Laws of Tuscarora Lodge, No. 22, Neuse Lodge, No. 6, Howard Lodge, No. 34, Samaritan Lodge, No. 31, Caswell Lodge, No. 32, Yadkin Lodge, No. 30, Salem Lodge, No. 35, North State Lodge, No. 26, Mountain Lodge, No. 19, and Achoree Lodge, No. 14, and recommend that they be approved, although the Committee are satisfied that there are defects in many of them, yet from the short time, allotted them to report, and many of them being in manuscript, it has been impossible for them to do justice to the subject.

They would respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolutions.

Resolved, That a Special Committee be appointed, whose duty it shall be to examine carefully the Constitution and By-Laws of every Lodge in this jurisdiction, and report at the next annual session of this Grand Lodge.

Resolved, That every Lodge be required to transmit a copy of their Constitution and By-Laws to said Committee as early as possible.

T. M. GARDNER,
W. H. CLARK,
D. PARRISH.

The Committee on the State of the Order offered the following Report and Resolution which were adopted.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of N. C.:

The Committee on the State of the Order, to whom was referred the resolution introduced by Rep. Morris, proposing the pre-payment of

postage on letters and documents which may be transmitted from one Lodge to another in this State, recommend the adoption of the resolution. Respectfully submitted,

T. H. HADENBERGH,
J. C. JUSTICE.
J. WINSLOW.

The Committee on the State of the Order, reported as follows, and the report was concurred in.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee on the State of the Order, to whom was referred the Query of P. G., Clark, viz:

Is it in the power of a brother to withdraw the name of a person, from the Lodge after it has been proposed, the Committee appointed, and the Committee reported?

Report that after the name of such candidate is handed over to a Committee, it may be withdrawn, before the report of that Committee is presented, but not subsequently. (Vide Grand Sire Kneas' decision, page 16, journal of 1848.)

Respectfully submitted,

T. H. HARDENBERGH,
J. CICERO JUSTICE,
JOHN WINSLOW.

Past Grand Master W. H. McKee installed W. J. McElroy, R. W. Deputy Grand Master, for the ensuing term.

On motion leave of absence was granted to D. G. Master, W. J. McElroy and Rep. Porter.

The Grand Lodge adjourned to meet at 4½ o'clock P. M.

FRIDAY 4½ o'clock P. M.

The G. L. met according to adjournment.

On motion of Rep. Jno. Winslow, Past D. G. Master Wilcox was requested to take the chair.

The Committee on the State of the order presented the following Report which was concurred in.

The Committee on the State of the order to whom was referred the Journals of Proceedings of G. L. U. S. of 1850 beg leave respectfully to report, they recommend the representatives of this G. L. to the G.

L. U. S. to oppose any proposition to confer any degrees on the wives and daughters of Odd Fellows.

J. C. JUSTICE,
JOHN WINSLOW,
T. H. HARDENBERGH.

On motion of Rep. Morris it was ordered that Representatives Lauder and Winslow have permission to correct their accounts for expenses.

On motion of Rep. Winslow, the vote concurring in the Report of the Committee on By-Laws this morning, was reconsidered, and again concurred in without amendment, and Rep. Jno. Winslow, Geo. Lauder and T. M. Sackett, were appointed the committee in conformity with the Report.

Rep. I. Proctor presented the account of the Steward of the Grand Lodge, which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Rep. T. H. Hardenbergh, offered the following Resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

RESOLVED, That the Committee on Finance be instructed to inquire and report whether the Grand Lodge will have the means of paying the expenses of its Representatives at the next session, and whether there is any legislation necessary for the purpose of raising revenue.

Reps. Lawrence and Puryear were excused from further attendance from and after this afternoon.

The Committee on Finance presented the following report, which was concurred in.

To the R. W. G. Lodge:

The Committee on Finance have examined the account of Bro. H. J. Brown, for his services and articles furnished this Grand Body during its session, and we believe it to be correct. We therefore recommend that the amount of $13 15 be allowed and paid out of the Treasury. Respectfully, JAS. A. MONTGOMERY,
O. W. TELFAIR.

The Select Committee on the appeal from Phalanx Lodge, No. 10, submitted the following report, which was concurred in.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Select Committee to whom was referred the appeal from Phalanx Lodge, No. 10, Washington, have had the matter under consideration, and respectfully beg leave to report:

That they have no hesitation in saying that a Subordinate Lodge has the right, on *the discovery of new testimony*, affecting the character of an applicant to reconsider the vote admitting him to membership; the right so to do, however, your Committee think should be used with great caution, *and only in extreme cases.*

In the matter from Phalanx Lodge, your Committee recommend that it be referred back for them to take such further action in the premises as they may think most conducive to harmonize their body, and do justice to all concerned.

Respectfully submitted,

D. G. McRAE,
J. B. LITTLEJOHN,
D. PARRISH.

Rep. Steele offered the following resolution which was adopted:

WHEREAS, The By-Laws of Pedee Lodge, No. 39, are an exact copy of the By-Laws of Falling Creek Lodge, No. 29; and whereas, the latter were approved at the last Grand Communication; therefore,

RESOLVED, That said By-Laws be referred to the proper Committee, with instructions to report favorably upon them.

The Committee on By-Laws, to whom the above resolution was referred, offered the following report, which was adopted:

The Committee to whom was referred the Preamble and Resolution, introduced by Rep. Steele, in reference to the By-Laws of Pedee Lodge, No. 39, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report the following resolution.

RESOLVED, That the By-Laws of Pedee Lodge, No. 39, be approved.

Fraternally,

T. M. GARDNER,
W. H. CLARK,
D. PARRISH.

Rep. John Winslow offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

RESOLVED, That the Special Committee on By-Laws report to the next Grand Communication of this Lodge, whether the 1st article of the 22d section of the By-Laws of North State Lodge is unconstitutional or in contravention of the usages of this Order.

The Committee on Finance offered the following Report and Resolution, which were concurred in:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee on Finance would most Respectfully Submit the following, viz:

Believing that the funds in hand, and the amount that will be paid in by Subordinate Lodges during the year will be sufficient to defray all the expenses attending said Grand Lodge, Therefore

RESOLVED, That a Tax of 10 per cent. be again levied on Subordinate Lodges, for the fiscal year 1851.

P. D. G. M., Julius Wilcox offerred the following resolution which was adopted.

RESOLVED, That P. G. S. Cooke be authorized to publish the proceedings of this Communication of the Grand Lodge, with an index of the whole volume, and that this Grand Lodge allow him fifty cents per copy for the number which this Grand Lodge has agreed to take.

On motion, the Grand Lodge adjourned to meet at 9 o'clock to-night.

FRIDAY, 9 o'clock, P. M.

The Grand Lodge met, M. W. Grand Master, Perrin Busbee, in the Chair.

The Grand Master proceeded to install T. H. Hardenbergh into the office of R. W. Grand Master of this Grand Lodge for the ensuing term.

Thomas M. Gardner was then installed as R. W. Grand Treasurer.

J. E. Morris was then installed as Grand Warden.

The R. W. Grand Master then took the chair and made the following appointments:

J. B. WEBB, - - - *Grand Guardian.*
D. PARRISH, - - - *Grand Conductor.*

Rep. Jno. Winslow offered the following resolutions, which were adopted.

RESOLVED, That the thanks of the Grand Lodge of N. C. be respectfully tendered to Manteo Lodge, No. 8, for the use of their Hall during the present Session of the Lodge.

RESOLVED further, That the thanks of the Lodge be presented to those members of the I. O. O. F. and citizens who have extended their kindness and hospitality to the members of the Lodge during its present Session.

RESOLVED, That the Resolutions be published in the papers of the City.

The Select Committee on the Query presented by Rep. J. E. Morris, submitted the following Report, which was concurred in

The Committee to whom was referred an inquiry submitted by Rep. J. E. Morris, asking the opinion of the G. L. as to the competency of a motion to reconsider a vote by which an applicant for membership was rejected, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave respectfully to report:

That in their judgment, such a motion as the one contemplated in the enquiry, is perfectly proper. A Brother may vote against an applicant for reasons which, at the time, were perfectly satisfactory to him, but which, on further investigation, he may find to be erroneous. It is therefore but fair and right that he should be enabled to do justice to the person who would otherwise be injured. Still, your Committee think that such a motion would not be admissible at any other time, than the night on which the ballot took place.

Of course, the motion must come from one of those who *knows* that he voted adversely to the application, in compliance with a universally recognized parliamentary law. Another balloting may be had, however, upon a suggestion of mistake by *any* brother.

Fraternally,

J. E. MORRIS,
D. G. McRAE,
J. B. LITTLEJOHN.

The Committe on Petitions submitted the following report which was concurred in.

The Committee on Petitions to whom was referred a Resolution, granting the privilege to certain Lodges, of having their anniversaries celebrated, by addresses, &c., have had the same under consideration, and beg leave respectfully to report the following Resolution, in which the concurrence of the Grand Lodge is asked.

Resolved, That permission be given to Eureka Lodge No. 7, and Oriental Lodge No. 14, to celebrate their next anniversaries in Regalia, and have public addresses delivered.

Fraternally.

J. E. MORRIS,
T. M. SACKETT,
S. GALES.

Rep. J. C. Justice offered the following Resolution which was unanimously adopted.

Resolved, That the thanks of this G. L. are due and are hereby tendered to P. G. Master, Perrin Busbee, for the able and impartial manner in which he has discharged the duties incident to the office of G. Master of the State.

Rep. O. W. Telfair, offered the following Resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Lodge are due, and are hereby tendered to P. D. G. Master, Julius Wilcox, for the able, impartial, and dignified manner in which he has presided over the deliberations of this body, during the absence of the G. M.

Rep. J. B. Newby, offered the following Resolution, which, in accordance with an Article of the Constitution, lies over for 12 months:

Resolved, That Sec. 2, Art. 11, of the Constitution, be so amended as to read: "Every Subordinate Lodge shall pay to the Grand Lodge a sum not exceeding 15 per cent. on Initiations, Degrees, Dues, and Depositing Cards."

The G. L. adjourned to meet to-morrow at 9 o'clock.

Saturday, 9 o'clock, A. M.

The Grand Lodge met, the R. W. G. Master in the Chair.

The proceedings of yesterday were read and approved.

Rep. John Winslow offered the following resolution, which, under the rule, lies over for 12 months:

Resolved, That hereafter the Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge be held on Wednesday after the third Monday of May, in each and every year.

The Select Committee on a part of the Grand Master's Communication, submitted the following report:

The Select Committee, to whom was referred that portion of the report of the G. M. in relation to the proceedings of the G. L. of Pennsylvania, touching the right of the G. L. of N. C. to two Representatives, have duly considered the same, and beg leave respectfully to report:

That although no exception can be taken to the spirit which seems to have impelled our brethren of Pennsylvania, yet we regret that they saw proper to notice us, as they did. It seems to us that if they had been as well informed upon this subject as they ought to have been, to justify them in speaking upon the subject at all, the reason of our having two Representatives to the G. L. U. S., would have been apparent. *True, the returns which had been made* to the G. L. of N. C. showed only the number of members which the Penn. brethren stated; but they must have seen that there were several Lodges within this jurisdiction, which, from some cause or other, to us unknown, had failed to make returns. That these neglecting Lodges had members enough to make the requisite number to entitle us to two Representatives, there can be no doubt; and if our Penn. brethren had only looked over the proceedings of our G. L. for the previous Communication, it seems to us, that they would have saved themselves the necessity of making a reference to us, as having been *too fairly* dealt with.

If our G. L. proceedings are regarded as correct by the G. L. of Penn. in one respect, they must be so regarded as a whole, and hence, although only 955 members had been *represented*, the proceedings *showed conclusively* that the other Lodges which had failed to make returns, had at least 45 members—the additional number required.

The G. L. U. S. no doubt would have refused to admit two Representatives from this State, if it had not been *satisfied* that the G. L. of N. C. would lay no claim to a representation to which it was not entitled. It trusted to a certain extent to our *sovereign integrity*, and we are sorry that our Penn. brethren had a less degree of confidence in us. North Carolina has ever had a character for *honesty* and *fair dealing* among her sister sovereignties of this Federal Republic; and surely among her sister Lodges, connected with them as she is, in the bonds peculiar to our Order, she would not forget or fall from the high estate which belonged to her. *Her character*, it seems to us, should have been a sufficient guaranty, at least among Odd Fellows of the uprightness of her motives, and the justice of her pretensions.

Fraternally,

D. G. McRAE.
J. CICERO JUSTICE.

There being no further business before the Grand Lodge, Rep. J. C. Justice moved that the G. L. do now adjourn.

Before closing, the R. W. Grand Master addressed the Grand Lodge as follows:

The Grand Lodge, the illustrious head of the Order in this State, has by the votes of its P. G.'s, thought proper to call for my services, and expressed its wishes that I should perform the duties of Grand Master. Whatever may be my individual wishes, and however much I regret that their selection should have fallen on me, who, although feeling the most ardent desire to promote the good of the Order, to sustain the reputation which the principles of the Order have gained for it, yet am conscious of my inability to do, and perform all that may be expected of me. But, acting on the principles of obedience to superiors early learned in the Order, I yield to the wishes of my brethren, and will endeavor to perform the duties of the Office you have elected me to, calling to my aid all the knowledge I have heretofore acquired, and such as I may derive from a faithful study of the principles of the Order. In the performance of these duties, I shall look with confidence to the assistance which is to be expected from the intelligence, knowledge and love of the Order, to be

found in my brethren of the Order comprising this Grand Lodge. Accept my best wishes for your happiness individnally and collectively. Make the golden precepts of our Order the guide and rule of your actions, and you will assuredly secure an approving conscience.

The Grand Lodge then adjourn.

WILLIAM D. COOKE,
Grand Secretary.

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OF THE

GRAND LODGE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

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FROM MAY, 1851, TO MAY, 1852.

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JOHN WINSLOW, - - - - *Fayetteville*

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Neuse "	6.	Stephen D. Philips.
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Manteo "	8,	P. F. Pescud.
Meck. Dec, "	9,	J. A. Young.
Concordia "	11,	M. F. Arendell.
Trent "	12,	R. F. Green.
Franklin "	13,	Young Patterson.
Achoree "	14,	Jas. W. Hinton.
Winchester "	16,	B. B. Lawrence.
Covenant "	17,	J. B. Evans.
Smyrna "	18,	Bryan Hellen,
Mountain "	19,	W. Lander,
Muchuena "	20,	David Parrish,
Buena Vista "	21,	A. S. Porter,
Tuscarora "	22,	J. B. Webb,
Tryon "	23,	W. M. Shipp,
Oriental "	24,	Preston Perry,
Piedmont "	25,	C. M. Avery,
North State "	26,	J. Wierman,
Columbus "	27,	Haynes Lennon,
Esperanza "	28,	E. W. Jones,
Falling Creek "	29,	W. L. Steele,
Yadkin "	30,	The D. G. M.
Samaritan "	31,	The Present N. G.
Caswell "	32,	" "
Occidental "	33,	" "
Contentnea "	34,	" "
Howard "	35,	" "
Salem "	36,	" "
Olive Branch "	37,	" "
Constantia "	38,	" "
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COLUMBUS LODGE, No. 27.

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SCARLET DEGREE.

Atkins, Edw N
Anderson, W S
Burch, James
Bowden, Jesse
Brown, George
Baker, Henry
Bates, Benj G
Barry, T D
Burr, Wm A
Bailey, Wm
Barnum, J M
Curtis, Geo T
Crone, John
Colton, Thos J
Conoly, John J
Coney, J R
Dunham, John S
Fennell, Owen
Falon, Patrick
Fulton, James
Grant, R H
Gause, Thos F
Garrison, Jas
Gilbert, Henry D
Grey, Charles
Gill, Robertson
Guyer, W A
Griffith, John
Gause, Saml P
Hartsfield, A A
Haines, H S
Hathaway, J L
Hyde, Wm E
Hoffman, S
Huston, Maxl
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Jones, David
Jones, W B
Jones, R J
Jacobs, W L
King, Thomas F
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Kilkelly, W G
Kea, James E
Lamont, D A
Love, W J, Jr.
London, Mauger
Lees, Jonathan
Lutterloh, E J
Lawton, Joseph
Latta, John C
Myers, Cornelius
Meginney, L
Mulock, Jesse
McKennon, A J
McCollum, J J
McLane, Andrew
McKeller, Hector
Mitchell, B F
McRae, Alex Jr
Neff, William
Nixon, Hiram
Nixon, N N
Nutt, John
Perrin, H R
Potter, Gilbert, Jr.
Packard, Cyrus
Polley, S P
Price, W J
Rothwell, A B
Russell, James B
Simpson, Richard
Sutton, Wm
Sullivan, F
Sherwood, A
Tolman, Job
Walker, W A
Williams, W A
Williams, Jos S
Wright, John H
Wheat, L C
Wodgat, John M
Yopp, W J

ROYAL BLUE DEGREE.

Bowden, John C
Brown, Asa A
Brown, John B
Dunham, S W
Marks, Wm
Smith, J B

COVENANT DEGREE.

Berry, Samuel
Burch, Wm F
Crockett, Thos M
Daskam, W F
Newell, W T
Polly, Hiram

Burkhimer, H
Brown, Thomas O
Bowers, John E
Craig, John
Freeman, W E
Mindel, A
Matthews, William
Morehouse, G N
Parish, John S
Pigford, J B
Rankin, Robert G
Russell, Henry

INITIATORY DEGREE.

Andrews, Samuel
Bowden, L H
Coney, C J
Cazau, A D
Cornwall, W J
Craft, Thomas C
Gadsby, George
Gafford, John
Hall, Edward D
Loring, Thomas
Miller, Thos C
McMillan, F A
Mund, Rev J T
Price, W W
Plunkitt, John
Rothwell, J M
Strong, George V
Turrentine, Rev M C
Utley, W R
Wilson, Wm

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R H Worthington
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J W Hill
T J Deanes
Benj A Spiers
R R Parker
H G Trader
L T Spiers

SCARLET DEGREE.

Brewer, Matt
Bryant, Benj
Britt, Alex
Bridger, John P
Hutchings, J W
Moore, H A
Pruden, L W
Parker, H H
Valentine, D
Williams, P S
Williams, S D
Yeates John

ROYAL BLUE DEGREE.

Copes, Peter
Parker, G D

COVENANT DEGREE.

Adkins, W H
Barnes, Jacob
Bryant, J R
Dukes, J E
Holland, Charles
Monger, J S
Parker, Elisha
See, John P
Vinson, D
Wood, James H

INITIATORY DEGREE.

Morgan, John L

CROSS CREEK LODGE, No. 4.

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J B Newby	John Shaw	A A McKethan
John Winslow	Duncan G McRae	S G Smith
A McLean	Henry Lilly	George Lauder,
W Winslow	James G Cook	Chas Lutterloh
A A T Smith	W T Frizell	T M Sackett

SCARLET DEGREE.

Gierch, A E	McRae, Daniel	Smith, John
Graham, Hugh, Sr.	McDuffie, N K	Smith, Neill
Hardie, R W	McDonald, John S	Smith, James G
Huston, Owen	Nixon, C D	Sedberry, H B
McRae, Roderick	Robinson, Wm C	Strange, Robert, Jr
McLaurin, John	Rose, W A	Tillinghast, S W
McNeil, Duncan	Stedman, J M	White, Oliver
McCamack, D		

REMEMBRANCE DEGREE.

McMillian, Geo

ROYAL BLUE DEGREE.

Blocker, J C	King, N, Jr.	Shaw, Roderick
Burwell, Henry W	Maultsby, D S	Whaley, Hiram
Leete, W J	Newby, D T	Warden, J P

COVENANT DEGREE.

Beasley, J M	Graham, Hugh, Jr.	Maultsby, J S
Brown, A S	Holland Wm	McArthur, J D
Davis, A	Hartman, J	Pemberton, E L
Decker, Samuel	McFadyen, A B	Tomlinson, W H

WHITE DEGREE.

Dobbin, James C	Morse, W F	Polk, George C

INITIATORY DEGREE.

Lutterloh, W H	Williams James M

THADDEUS LODGE, No. 5.

PAST GRANDS.

T. D. Love	A. B. Chesnutt	J. C. Carrol
J. D. Love	Alfred Johnson	T. J. Morisey
O. L. Fillyaw	G. W. Atkins.	T. J. Holland
L. C. Hubbard		

SCARLET DEGREE.

Boykin, Isaac	Johnson, Josiah	Pugh, Wm E
Culbreth, Love	McKoy, A E	Russell, Wm
Carroll, D D	Mosely J M	Roberts, J H
Carr, L F	McKoy, W H	Stevens, C H
Culbreth, B	Parker, W J	Stevens, J H
Draughon, W C	Parker, Dennis	Underwood, W L
Faison, T I	Pugh, T L	Wright, John B
Harrison, C A		

ROYAL BLUE DEGREE.

Crumpler, M

COVENANT DEGREE.

Dyes, G W	Stephens, C T

INITIATORY DEGREE.

Bloomingdale, J	Cox, Josiah

NEUSE LODGE, No. 6.

PAST GRANDS.

Daniel Cogdell	W. M. Puryear	S. D. Phillips
John Taylor	James W. Doyal	J. B. Griswold
W. S. G. Andrews	C. J. Nelson	W. R. Musgrave

SCARLET DEGREE.

Andrews, J N	Ezzell, J W	Northam, J B

Archer, P L W
Becton, J E
Beard, C M
Best, Robert W
Brown, Wm F
Castex, F L
Crosby, J H
Davis, J W
Davis, James M
Duggan, Wm J
Everitt, James H
Garrison, T C
Gregory, R J
Griswold, Benj J
Gay, Simon
Granthum, Uriah
Hollowell, W
Hollowell, T T
Hatch, Joseph R
Kornegay, G L
Lancaster, J W
Mayo, Jesse
Peacock, L
Pennington, B
Pope, William
Toler, W H
Toler, John T
Wright, John
Whitfield, Wm B
Webb, Silas
Williams, Robt E
Webb, John B

ROYAL BLUE DEGREE.

Daniel, James
Pope, Henry

COVENANT DEGREE.

Daniel, Jacob
Glasgow, Wm P
Jones, David
Pipkin, Elisha
Pollock, Wm F
Waters, Thomas

WHITE DEGREE.

Flowers, Cullen
Hudson, Thos J

INITIATORY DEGREE.

Brogden, Thos W
Broadhurst, J C
Cogdell, David
Granthum, D E
Sanford, John P
Summerlin, Wm G
Sikes, Wm R

EUREKA LODGE, No. 7.

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J C Justice
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John Charlotte
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R W Choate
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William Hay
John Hutchinson
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SCARLET DEGREE.

Bishop, Samuel
Hanff, John F
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Breaker, J M C
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Creekman, J jr.
Dudley, David W
Dewey, Willis
Duffy, Walter
Ferguson, Elijah
Fields, Chas G
Ferrand, Wm
Goslee, Daniel W
Hanks, Ossian
Howard, T S
Hanks, Ellsworth
Hackburn, E
Heritage, L B
Hancock, J W
Horniblow, John
Harvey, W H
Huggins, E John
Jones, Charles P
Jones, James
Justice, John R
Jones, Wm
Jennette, Robt S
Lewis, John B
Latham, Seth W
Latham, Augustus
Moore, Wm P
Morse, Frederick
Miller, Alexander
Matthews, Mat
Phelps, Lewis
Parks, Wm J
Ricaud, T P
Rhodes, C C
Rumley, John
Schenck, Wm H
Simpson, C F
Sparrow, Wm T
Smith, D H
Sparrow, Wm J
Stevenson, Martin
Surmond, D D
Taylor, Geo W
White, C J
Wallace, T C
Wooten, J P
Wallace, S W
Washington, W H
Washington, Geo
Wallace, James L

ROYAL BLUE DEGREE.

Robinson, Wm

COVENANT DEGREE.

Drury, Lucius H
Hartwick, Jos
Mumford, Jesse
Pelletier, Wm P
Pipkin, Phillip
Wolfe, Henry E
Ward, George J

WHITE DEGREE.

Davis, John

INITIARORY DEGREE.

Buford, Henry
Barbour, Wm F
Darling, Wm B
Green, Thomas
Gray, John A
Hackburn, Joseph
Lovick, Henry J
Street, Samuel R
Street, John J
Smith, John B

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W H McKee
R B Haywood
Perrin Busbee
John H Manly
Thos M Oliver
W D Haywood
Isaac Procter
P F Pescud
W R Scott

SCARLET DEGREE.

Allen, D W
Buck, O A
Bledsoe, M A
Boylan, W M
Burch, O L
Brown, H J
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Cosby, John W
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Little, George
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McRae, D K
Porter, Henry
Root, C B
Royster, Jas D
Royster, David jr.
Rogers, Sion H
Sanders, R A
Sanders, Lynn B
Singletary, G E B
Smith, H S
Tucker, W H H
Thompson, J R
Thompson, W H
Vass, W W
Woltering, Jos
Watson, J W B
Williams, J R
Williams, J G
West, John T
Wolstenholmes, H F
Watson, W H
Yarbrough, E jr.

ROYAL BLUE DEGREE.

Joyner, Rev P H

COVENANT DEGREE.

Alston, W F S
Horton, Jeptha
Kincey, J H
King, F W
Lovejoy, J M
Palmer, John C
Newton, W

WHITE DEGREE.

Dodd, James
Ruffin, Samuel
Thornton, A G
Young, Samuel H
Utley, John R

INITIATORY DEGREE.

Briggs, T H	Hicks, John Y	Miller, H W
Baison, W F	Johnson, Albert	Nordecai, Jacob
Boylan, John H	Kirkland, J W	McDade, J B
Carmichael, L	Leathers, Jas S	Pace, James
Hudgins, S	Lucas, Jas S	Utley, Q
Hargrave, T R	Lee, R H	Whitaker, S M

MECKLENBURG DECLARATION LODGE, No. 9.

PAST GRANDS.

Joshua Trotter	J A Young,	M B Taylor
A Bethune	L S Williams	Thos Trotter

SCARLET DEGREE.

Andrews, E H	Ely, J W M	Porter, Thos F
Ashburry, Daniel	Harty, John	Robinson, R M
Briard, A R	Harty, William	Riglar, John
Belk, Saml E	Harris, W S	Saddler, Jas A
Bell, R C	Harris, E R	Ross, F M
Blair, J W	Houston, G S	Smith, J P
Barringer, Rufus	Harris, K P	Sandifer, T T
Blackwood, B G	Grier, R A	Shaw, Robert
Carson, R C	Jackson, S H	Spencer, D H
Coleman, Daniel	Low, Pinckney	Taylor, David
Davidson, E C	Lowrie, S J	Taylor, John R
Davidson, W F	Morrow, J W	Weddington, F S
Davidson, Jos M	McDonald, John	Wriston, S T
Davidson, B F	Maxwell, F H	Wriston, M L
Fox, C J	McRea, E D	Young, R S
Fox, J A		

PHALANX LODGE, No. 10.

PAST GRANDS.

B F Hanks	Geo H Brown	R L Myers
O W Telfair	T H Hardenbergh	James H Tyler
Jno B Williams		

SCATLET DEGREE.

Allen, Wm
Blount, R H J
Bonner, John B
Bonner, B T
Cook, N W
Clements, J C
Crabtree, L D
Craig, A
Corden, Wm S
Corden, S K
Caila, John F
Carrow, S J
Carrow, S T
Carmer, John R
Davis Jesse H
Doughty, J J
Dill, D H
Dimock, Henry
Demill. Thos A jr.
Dixon, G R
Ernall, A W
Ellison, H A
Forbes, E
Fitchett, Thos
Fowler, S
Fowle, Jas L
Gaskill. J W
Gordon, Geo W
Hyatt, L
Hodges, H
Hancock, H F
Mammond, C W
Holmes, L L
Horton, D B
Harvey, H L
Hawks, Thos H
Hodges, Jos B
Hawks, Jno S
Jones, J E
Moore, Jno E
Myers, Wm B
Myers, J G B
Moore, Wm C
Morton, Wm C
McWilliams, J S
Moore, F W
Moore, Edmund
McGowan, John
Norcom, John
Nadall, A
Norcom, James
Pake, Wm T
Patterson, E P
Patrick, John R
Pugh, Jos T
Peartree, Asa
Peartree, James
Potts, W A
Royster, L H
Ross, John B
Robbins, James S
Rodman, Wm B
Rea, R T
Reid, Daniel
Righton, S A W
Redding, Jas W
Simmons, J W
Small, John H
Smaw, Thos D
Stubbs, Jesse R
Smith, L H
Simmons, James
Taylor, W H
Tripp, B F
Tripp, Jos
Tyler, John
Tripp, Wm R
Turner, George
Tuten, Thomas
Telfair, D A
Tier, Jos S
VanNortwick, M F
Wolfenden, John
Warren, E J
Watson, Job H
Waltson, Wiley

ROYAL BLUE DEGREE.

Carmalt, John

COVENANT DEGREE.

Allen, H P
Archabell, Jas P
Potts, Jos
Parmerle, B J
Tompkins, Jno
Toland, H A

Canon, Henry
Lanier, W A
Robinson, C
Stratton, Rev J
Wallace, J
Williard, A A

WHITE DEGREE.

Archabell, J H
Barrow, A A
Blount, W A jr.
Campbell, W B
Gautier, Benj
Stilley, W

INITIATORY DEGREE.

Boyd, R W
Dowty, Stephen
Dixon, Geo W
Jollie, H G
Robinson, W
Satterthwaite, E D

CONCORDIA LODGE, No. 11.

PAST GRANDS.

Dr M F Arendell
J W Morgan
C S Bell
B Leecraft jr.
B L Perry
H H Willis
D W Morse

SCARLET DEGREE.

Bell, D H L
Bell, J F
Bell, W F
Chadwick, B
Canady, R S
Chadwick, Oliver
Delamar, C
Dill, George
Duncan, Thomas
Fuller, Belcher
Fuller, W J
Gibble, J E
Howland, J E
Howland, S L
Jones, Rev John
Longest, Bryan
Longest, James
Longest, Wm
Langdon, W S
Nelson, S J
Physic, W B
Phelps, Matthias
Reiger, Henry
Thomas, J P
Thomas, M C
Walker, George
Wahab, Job
White, J T
Willis, S F

ROYAL BLUE DEGREE.

Canaday, R S

COVENANT DEGREE.

Moorse, George

WHITE DEGREE.

Brooks, William

INITIATORY DEGREE.

Canaday, Thos
Garner, W J
King, W C
Murray, Thos D
Oglesby, L T
Thomas· R C
Tolson, A C

TRENT LODGE, No. 12.

PAST GRANDS,

Richd F Green
L H Missellier
J D Hines
John H Dillahunt
Simon E Koonce

SCARLET DEGREE.

Harrison, F B
Huggins, W F
Sanderson, Ed F
Williams, Andw C

COVENANT DEGREE.

Curtis, H F

INITIATORY DEGREE.

Johnson, A H

FRANKLIN LODGE, No. 13.

PAST GRANDS.

J B Littlejohn
R R S Lawrence
J J Jones
D C Stone
A M Lewis
Young Patterson

SCARLET DEGREE.

Burge, James P
Bennett, Henry L
Carlisle, Thos N
Davis, Isaac H
Furman, Rickey
Furman, W H
Gupton, E A
Harris, W
Harrison, M N
Harper, J J
Person, W E
Perry, Willie jr.

ROYAL BLUE DEGREE.

Baker, Wm

ACHOREE LODGE, No. 14.

PAST GRANDS.

J C B Ehringhaus
G J Musgrave
Wm F Martin
Wm HClark
John Pool
James C Scott

SCARLET DEGREE.

Butt, Wm H
Burcher, A H
Burges, Wm W
Cooper, John A
Cartwright, Shad
Commander, Jos
Curran, Albert A
Cross, Rev W G
Davis, Sylvanus
Field, Rev Stanton
Forbes, Rev E M
Fearing, John B
Grice, Samuel D
Hinds, Heyman S
Harney, Wm A
Hamilton, Zera
Jackson, C C
Jones, A L
Lawrence, Jos
Mann, Wm E
Matthews, Wm P
Matthews, John M
Mullen, Wm A
Morris, Nathan
Newbold, Wm
Nash, Isaac D
Nash, E S
Owens, Daniel
Poiner, George
Sanderlin, Rev S
Simmons, Wm
Sterling, John
Shannonhouse, B J
Saunders, L K
Shannon, Wm L
Simmons, Dennis
Sanderlin, C
Simmons, Josiah
Saunders, E W
Speed, Rufus K
Stumph, Thos B
Stamm, Abraham
Tuttle, John M
Weeks, James E
Williams, Elhu
Waugh, John S
Wilder, Geo M
Williams, Peter C
White, Albert
White, Robinson
Whedbee, J M

ROYAL BLUE DEGREE.

Cudworth, John H
Davis, W C
Roughton, Z
Simmons, Jos

COVENANT DEGREE.

Blount, W C
Burnham, Benj
Old, John F
Jones, Jas S
Sikes, M K
Whitney, Jas S

WHITE DEGREE.

Banks, A W
Boutwell, W A
King, John B
Morgan, James M
Milson, J A

INITIATORY DEGREE.

Benberry, Jno A
Benberry, Jno
Brothers, Chas B
Crank, C T
Evins, Jos
Shannon, T J

WINCHESTER LODGE, NO. 16.

PAST GRANDS.

D Ferguson
B B Lawrence
Pomroy Clark
Thomas Newby

SCARLET DEGREE.

Armstrong, E H
Barnes, Jos J
Bullock, Jesse
Boddie, John S
Fort, Jacob G
Griffin, Thos H
Hines, W H
Harper, Wm
Jakway, Stephen E
Jones, Wm A
Peel, Henry W
Pope, W E
Qualls, Wm L
Ricks, Robert
Stephens, E H
Spencer, Warren E
Shollington, W E J
Taylor, Jas J
Taylor, Labon
Thorne, Wm E
Watson, B C
Williford, H L
Whitehead, A J M
Wilkins, Thos M

INITIATORY DEGREE.

Thompson, Lewis

COVENANT LODGE, NO. 17.

PAST GRANDS.

Goold Hoyt,
Stephen B Evans
Zeno H Greene

SCARLET DEGREE.

Bernard, W A
Braswell, Thos A
Bernard, Germain
Evans, Amos
Evans, John
Evans, Wm
Gorham, Thos A
Hines, Peter E
Hathaway, S S
Johnson, S F
Johnson, John V
Jordan, Henry C
Knox, George
McCluer, J A
May, Jas W
McGowens, J T
Nelson, James
Nelson, Thos E
O'Hagan, Chas J
Satterthwaite, F B
Walch, Wm M

COVENANT DEGREE.

Bonner, Wm S

INITIATORY DEGREE.

Tisdale, Wm

SMYRNA LODGE, NO. 18.

PAST GRANDS.

Samuel E Davis, Bryan Hellen, D W Whitehurst
M J Davis

SCARLET DEGREE.

Davis, Jesse A Lewis, Wm J Rumley, W W
Davis, W jr. Piver, Wilson F Stryon, Jno W
Davis, Calvin J Piver, James M Stryon, L W
English, W Roberts, D R Willis, Ephraim
Hamilton, John W Roberts, J G

COVENANT DEGREE.

Lupton, M J

WHITE DEGREE.

Willis, John T Willis, Geo W

INITIATORY DEGREE.

Willis, Daniel C

MOUNTAIN LODGE, NO. 19.

PAST GRANDS.

Jasper Stowe W Lander Wm Williamson
W H Michal Dr Alex Ramsour

SCARLET DEGREE.

Anthony, John P Edwards, W R Ramsour, Wm
Abernathy, H W Hoke, Wm J Reinhardt, W M

Burton, A W
Briggs, B F
Bobo, Charles D
Campton, W P
Crarew, Alfred
Motz, Andrew
Murchison, Rev C
McCoy, Abner
Newson, J M
Ramsour, Alfred A
Stowe, Jasper
Stowe, S N
Smith, W B
Williamson, Robt

ROYAL BLUE DEGREE.

Slade, T T

COVENANT DEGREE.

Cabiniss, H D K
Smith, R B

INITIATORY DEGREE.

Andrews, W P
Martin, Moses
Shuford, John M
Webber, M G

MUCHUENA LODGE, NO. 20.

PAST GRANDS.

Julius Wilcox
David Parrish
J M Price
E T Rice
T A Montgomery

SCARLET DEGREE.

Bobbitt, W H
Blount, T A
Burge, Rev W
Bryan, H B
Brodie, J H
Crabtree, W C
Collins, J
Campbell, Rev T S
Clements, W C
Duke, J L
Egerton, J A
Ferrell, J M
Farrar, J
Fisher, D R
Goodloe, H G
Graves, Rev N Z
Gupton, K
Holt, J W
Harrison, J H
Holt, T J
Jones, H I
Johnson, J R
McCormick, J
Mosely, James L
Minatree, J J
McCraw, J C
Moore, J H
Phillips, Samuel E
Reynolds, T
Rowlett, R
Sketton, Dr W T
Skinner, Dr Chas
Sledge, George R
Thrower, W E
Twitty, W E
Wilson, J M
Watson, W jr.
Wilson, Dr T E
Watkins, S T
White, E C
Wortham, George
Waddill, T F

ROYAL BLUE DEGREE.

Brickle, N D
Toney, J W

COVENANT DEGREE.

Alsobrook, J E
Renny, J R

WHITE DEGREE.

Burwell, Wm A
Paschall, P D

INITIATORY DEGREE.

Mann, B D
Nicholson, G W
Ransom, R W
Rooks, S H
Wiggans, B B

BUENA VISTA LODGE, NO. 21.

PAST GRANDS.

John Sloan
E Watson
Solomon Hopkins
A S Porter

SCARLET DEGREE.

Anderson, H S
Brown, Michael
Bleak, M S
Booken, G W
Caldwell, A C
Coffin, Cyrus
Cole, W W
Donnel, R C
Gilmer, W S
Gillaspie, B
Gardner, S T
Howlett, J W
Hoover, B F
Johnston, R J
Kerr, S M
Lea, W G
Leinback, E W
Mendenhall, C P
McLean, David
Mebane, W T
Miner, James
McCullock, R N
Ogburn, E W
Patrick, T J
Schoolfield,
Skelton, Joseph
Scott, Levi M
Thurston, Peter
Waltington, J M
Walker, Jere
Weatherly, A
Weatherly, Wm

COVENANT DEGREE.

Gorrel, D R
Leinback, E
Tatum, B

INITIATORY DEGREE.

Edwards, W E

TUSCARORA LODGE, NO. 22.

PAST GRANDS.

Thos Woodley — James B Webb — Wm H Whitfield
Geo W Venters

SCARLET DEGREE.

Aldridge, Saml H — Einstein, M — Patterson, Moses
Armstrong, J J — Gaylord, Rev Jno B — Rouse, Willis
Blakely, Thos J — Hartsfield, J A — Steranglents, Louis
Cobb, Jesse — Harvey, Amos — Strong, W A
Cox, Wm E — King, Richd W — Sutton, W J
Cummings, Jos S — Jackson, Jno H — Tull, S H
Dawson, J W — Miller, Stephen — Vause, Wm Irving
Einstein, Z — Miller, Imla N — Vause, Rev J

WHITE DEGREE.

Neale, James C

INITIATORY DEGREE.

Allen, B — Lee, John L — Hilton, Daniel

TRYON LODGE, No. 23.

PAST GRANDS.

Thos A Hayden — Wm M Shipp — J V Jay
Geo W Baxter

SCARLET DEGREE.

Boyce, S J — Carson, John M — Lollar, D D
Carson, J McD — Dickerson, Garland — Leventhorpe, C
Calloway, J W — Dickerson, M O — Stammire, B H
Carson, Wm — Hamby, Rev Allen — Twitty, D J

REMEMBRANCE DEGREE.

Lollar, E M — Leohr, Chas

ROYAL BLUE DEGREE.

Carson, J L

INITIATORY DEGREE.

Forney, A G Harris, C L

ORIENTAL LODGE, NO. 24.

PAST GRANDS.

J H Etheridge Preston Perry Wm T Erwin
Rev James Delk

SCARLET DEGREE.

Askew, J A J Harrell, Abner Pruden, Wm D
Brown, Thos Harrell, S S Spruill, S B
Bernard, Rev A R Hayse, Willie D Stuley, Jas B
Bernard, Saml A Lewis, W J Smith, Jos
Beasley, Jos W Leary, Wm Williams, John
Britton, Rev W P Leary, Joseph Williams, B B
Daniel, Watson L Leary, Rev West Wilson, John
Freeman, Wm J Miller, Wm Worley, Wm G
Garrett, Richard Miller, F C Ward, H L

COVENANT DEGREE.

Chambers, Jno Holley, Augustus Shepperd, John S

PIEDMONT LODGE, NO. 25.

PAST GRANDS.

J A Dickson C M Avery J H Murphy

SCARLET DEGREE.

Avery, W W Erwin, J J McElrah, J W
Davis, C T N Fenn, J D McRae, W L
Erwin, A H Happoldt, J M Smith, S J
Erwin, S B Jarrett, G W Walton, W M
Erwin, J S McDowd, J C Williamson, A C

COVENANT DEGREE.

Avery, T L Fenn, J G

INITIATORY DEGREE.

Ballew, J A	Hardy, J F E	Martin, Thos
Dickson, Wm	Lindsey, H P	Tremmier, G R
Elliott, R S	Milton, L W	

NORTH STATE LODGE, NO. 26.

PAST GRANDS.

J A Weirman	Albert Overman

SCARLET DEGREE.

Bell, John J	Gould, Geo L	Rymer, Moses
Caldwell, Richd	Hardy, John H	Roberts, B B
Coleman, Daniel	Harrison, Saml R	Stokes, Jesse A
Ennis, Jas H	O'Brien, Rev S J	Scruggs, R M
Ellis, John W	Palmer, Wm J	Wilson, Wm R
Fox, Richd	Robards, H L	Williams, Samuel

INITIATORY DEGREE.

Bradshaw, D R	Hopkins, Rev B N	Parks, John P
Coffman, Rev J H	McDonald, Jas R	Summerell, Dr J J
Harvey, John	Mosely, Roderick	

COLUMBUS LODGE, NO. 27.

PAST GRANDS.

Rev Haynes Lennon

SCARLET DEGREE.

Baldwin, Wm M	Inman, Stephen	Smith, Burwell
Haynes, Calvin	Maccory, T S	Smith, W G
Haynes, Warren	Powell, A F	Toon, A F
Hill, George W	Rouse, Bythet	Thompson, James

REMEMBRANCE DEGREE.

Baldwin, Charles

ROYAL BLUE DEGREE.

Downey, Robt
Gore, J M M
George, Lewis

COVENANT DEGREE.

High, James
Hill, A B
Gore, C C
Gore, Pinckney
Gore, Wm K
Memory, Eli
Moore, Rev G W
Powell, James C
Pridgen, Glasgow
Powell, John G
Pridgen, J C
Smith, T M
Summerset, J H
Smith, David
Williams, Amos

WHITE DEGREE.

Coleman, Dempsey
Maultsby, Carson
Richardson, W R

ESPERANZA LODGE, NO. 28.

PAST GRANDS.

John G Williams

SCARLET DEGREE.

Bagley, Wm
Beasley, John B
Beasley, John
Beckwith, Thos
Bennet, Robert H
Casey, Isaac
Ethridge, Stephen
Fessenden, B F
Fagan, F F
Garibaldo, Angelo
Guyther, David C
Hanks, Edgar
Hinson, G W
Hardison, Wm A
Harrison. H H
Holiday, J W
Holiday, Henry
Hopkins, Isaac K
Johnson, E J
Johnston, Asa
Johnston, T S
Kelly, Isaac
Keith, James B
Kissam, Samuel
Knight, R
Kiemml, E J
Kissam, Chas A
Kissam, Saml T
Latham, Chas
Latham, T S
Nicholls, Jehu
Pearcy, D A
Respess, R
Spruill, B J
Short, Henry B
Spruill, H G
Simmons, S S
Thompson, T P
Thompson, N
Tripp, R
Ward, W W
Waters, H H
Willis, Elijah H
Waldo, Joseph
Windley, Jacob D
Waters, A J

ROYAL BLUE DEGREE.

Norman, Joseph R

COVENANT DEGREE.

Allen, Joseph
Brabble, J D
Davenport, J F
Ward, George W

WHITE DEGREE.

Alfred, F E
Freeman, James
Garrett, A F
Jones, J L
Respess, Robt
Spruill, Benj
Waters, Asa J

INITIATORY DEGREE.

Eborn, Wm
Hayman, D

FALLING CREEK LODGE, NO. 23.

PAST GRANDS.

Walter L Steele

SCARLET DEGREE.

Douglass, M L
Little, John R
Little, Alexander
Ledbetter, Rev R S
Leak, Wm C
McDonald, A M
McNeill, W
McDonald, R S
McKinnon, Jno C
Powell, Benj C
Steele, R L
Steele, R J jr.
Steele, T W
Shortridge, John
Webb, Louis H

ROYAL BLUE DEGREE.

Lucas, Hugh G
Gault, W W
Jordan, Thos S
Nicholson, J A
Stewart, James
Stubbs, John W

COVENANT DEGREE.

Coxe, S L
Ewing, Isaac jr.
Terry, Wm L
Tomlinson, J
Veal, A J

INITIATORY DEGREE.

Pearl, James
Peacock, W M

YADKIN LODGE, NO. 30.

PAST GRANDS.

W J McElroy A C Wharton

SCARLET DEGREE.

Brown, Isaac
Blackburn, Milton
Blackburn, C
Cooper. T D
Cooper, A W
Haines, Lewis
Jones, Wilie
Jones, S S
Miller, F
Moss, A A
Riley, J W
Styres, L
Wagoner, Josiah

RECORD of the Subordinate Lodges under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of the State of North Carolina, July 1st, 1851.

Names of Lodges.	No.	Where Held.	Date of Open'g.	By Whom Opened.	Authority.	Meetings.
WELDON, - -	1	Weldon,	April 26, 1841,	*P.G.M.* G. M. Bain, of Va., *D.D.G.S.*	G. L. U. S.,	*Defunct.*
CAPE FEAR, - -	2	Wilmington,	May 13, 1842,	Do.	"	Tuesday.
WASHINGTON, -	3	Murfreesboro',	May 17, 1842,	Do.	"	Friday.
CROSS CREEK, -	4	Fayetteville,	Aug. 22, 1843,	*D. G. M.* John McRae, Sr.,	G. L. N. C.	"
THADDEUS, - -	5	Clinton,	Jan. 24, 1844,	*G. M.* John McRae, Sr.,	"	"
NEUSE, - - -	6	Goldsboro',	Aug. 16, 1845,	*G. M.* Alexander McRae,	"	Saturday.
EUREKA, - -	7	Newbern,	Oct. 3, 1845,	Do.	"	Wednesday
MANTEO, - -	8	Raleigh,	Jan. 14, 1846.	Do.	"	Friday.
MECKLENB'G DEC'N,	9	Charlotte,	Oct. 24, 1846,	*G. M.* I. Disosway,	"	Tuesday.
PHALANX, - -	10	Washington,	Nov. 23, 1846,	Do.	"	Friday.
CONCORDIA, - -	11	Beaufort,	Jan. —, 1847,	Do.	"	"
TRENT, - - -	12	Trenton,	———, 1847,	Do.	"	"
FRANKLIN, - -	13	Louisburg,	March 9, 1847,	*D. G. M.* Edward Yarborough,	"	Wednesday
ACHOREE, - -	14	Elizabeth City,	May 1, 1847,	*P. G.* R. W. Choate,	"	Friday.
HENDERSON, -	15	Henderson,	Aug. —, 1847,	*G.* M. W. H. McKee,	"	*Defunct.*
WINCHESTER, -	16	Rocky Mount,		*P.G.* P. Busbee & *P.G.* J. H. Manly,	"	Saturday.
COVENANT, - -	17	Greenville,		*P. G.* B. F. Hanks,	"	Friday.
SMYRNA, - -	18	Smyrna,	June 20, 1848,	*P. G.* M. F. Arendell,	"	Saturday.
MOUNTAIN, - -	19	Lincolnton,	Sept. 23, 1848,	*D. D. G. M.* A. Bethune,	"	Friday.
MUCHUENA, - -	20	Warrenton,	" 20, 1948,	*P. G.* R. W. Choate,	"	Thursday.
BUENA VISTA, -	21	Greensboro',	June 4, 1848,	*P. G. M.* I. Disosway,	"	Tuesday.
TUSCARORA, - -	22	Kinston,	March 16. 1849,	*G. M.* B. F. Hanks,	"	Friday.
TRYON, - - -	23	Rutherfordton,	April 4, 1849,	*D. D. G. M.* A. Bethune,	"	Tuesday.
ORIENTAL, - -	24	Colerain,	May 24, 1849,	*P. G. M.* R. H. Worthington,	"	Thursday.
PIEDMONT, - -	25	Morganton,	July 24, 1849,	G. M., J. B. Newby,	"	Tuesday.

NORTH STATE,	26	Salisbury,	July 28, 1849,	G. M., J. B. Newby,	G. L. N. C., Tuesday.
COLUMBUS,	27	Whitesville,	Oct. 13, 1849.	D. D. G. M., John C. Wood,	" Saturday.
ESPERANZA,	28	Plymouth,	" 26, 1849,	P. G., T. H. Hardenbergh,	" Thursday.
FALLING CREEK,	29	Rockingham,	Nov. 23, 1849,	G. M., J. B. Newby,	" Monday.
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